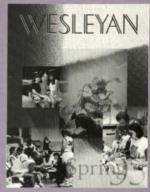


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## WOMEN'S COLLEGES TO GET BOOST FROM THE AD COUNCIL

One year ago in April, the National Advertising Council, who has ingrained in American minds slogans such as, "A mind is a terrible thing to waste," and "Only you can prevent forest fires," accepted a proposal by the Women's College Coalition to tackle gender equality in education.

The promotional campaign will begin in early May 1995 as public service announcements (PSAs) air on television stations nationwide. The PSAs, while focusing on gender equality in education, will benefit women's colleges throughout the country. The campaign is intended to create advocates who will encourage girls and young women to achieve their full potential and will address the problem of underachievement among girls that researchers say is unintentionally fostered by coeducational schools.

The campaign will be targeted at teachers, parents, and girls ages 11 to 18. PSAs will feature an 800 number for interested persons to call for more information. Upon calling, their addresses will be taken, and a publication outlining steps to gender equality in education will be mailed. The publication will also contain the names and addresses of Women's College Coalition members who have contributed to the cause. Women's College Coalition members were asked to donate \$5,000 each to cover the cost of printing of the publication. In addition, a tag at the end of each PSA will say, "Brought to you by women's colleges."

The Ad Council's work in designing and implementing the campaign is pro bono, valued at \$25 million for each year of the 15 year campaign.

# WESLEYAN RECLASSIFIED BY CARNEGIE FOUNDATION

Wesleyan is among four Georgia colleges who have been selected by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching to be classified as "BA-I" institutions, the top classification of liberal arts institutions nationally.

Carnegie listed 633 liberal arts institutions in the "BA" classifications, but selected only 164 of these colleges and universities for the "BA-I" category. The distinction is based on degree focus and selectivity in admissions. The remaining 469 institutions were classified "BA-II."

The new classification means that Wesleyan is now ranked in the most competitive classification with the very best liberal arts colleges in this country, including such nationally recognized institutions as Amherst, Davidson, and Washington and Lee. The other Georgia colleges classified as "BA-I" are Agnes Scott, Oglethorpe, and Spelman.

U.S. News and World Report used the new Carnegie classifications last fall in rating "America's Best Colleges." The magazine retitled the "BA-I" category "National Liberal Arts Colleges" and identified the 164 institutions as "highly selective." All 164 of these institutions were listed in the U.S. News report.

Wesleyan President Robert Ackerman states that he is pleased with the classification, "In the spring of 1994 the Carnegie Foundation reclassified Wesleyan as a Liberal Arts I institution. This means that we are now considered to be a national institution and are now in a category with the very best liberal arts colleges."

## JANE FONDA FEATURED AT SPRING CONVOCATION

Social activist, fitness expert, and actress
Jane Fonda kicked off Spring Semester
1995 by addressing students, faculty, and the
Macon community at Spring Convocation
on Jan. 12. Fonda's inspirational message
encouraged Wesleyan's young women to
approach life as an exploration. "Life cannot
become stagnant. If you stop seeing life in
bright colors, you have to stop and figure out
why," she remarked.

Fonda's address was followed by a lengthy question and answer session and an opportunity for autographs.

#### WESLEYAN REACCREDITED BY SACS

This fall, Wesleyan was visited by a committee from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools for reaccreditation. The committee reviewed a self-study conducted by the College. President Robert Ackerman is pleased to announce that, "We received the very best possible report for reaccreditation. We are reaffirmed for the next 10 years with no follow-up report required." As a former chair of approximately 20 such travelling SACS committees, Ackerman states that in all of his prior experience follow-up reports were required. "There is no better answer to our work than that." Wesleyan's 200-page selfstudy was directed by Del Crisp, chair of the Humanities Division and professor of English.

#### RETRACTION

Mary Bailey Rehm '52 was mistakenly listed as deceased in the Tradition and Vision Alumnae Campaign Report. We apologize for this error.

# WESLEYAN PIONEERS BASKETBALL TEAM ENJOYS FIRST WINNING SEASON

Wesleyan College basketball has recently ended its third season. What began as a club team three years ago is now an NCAA Division III team that has seen its first winning record. After a disappointing 1-21 season last year, the Wesleyan College Pioneers finished the current season 14-11.

Lori Mazza, athletic director and head basketball coach, attributes the recent suc-

cess to a combination of leadership and talent coming together in the 1994-95 team. "We had the leadership from the upper classmen and the talent of the new first-year students. After last year, my thoughts were just to improve on that record. I didn't think we'd win eight games. To have such a young team and to have them mesh as well as they did, you just couldn't ask for more." She admits that she underestimated them.

Mazza believes part of the reason the team "meshed" so well is because the players were in tune with each other. "If one member of the team was down, the others would pick it up. They read each other well. It's hard to find players like that. They have worked very hard. Their work ethic is incredible."

Mazza signed on at Wesleyan in 1993 as head basketball and volleyball coach. However, in January 1995 after the resignation of Boyd Schoeller, Mazza accepted the position of athletic director/head basketball coach. She says the opportunity to hold a position exercising administrative functions was what attracted her to Wesleyan.



Jane Fonda featured at Spring Convocation.



Wesleyan basketball team enjoys first winning season.



Ruth Austin Knox is the new chair of Wesleyan's board of trustees.



Linda Lane speaks at Commencement 1995.

The 1994-1995 Wesleyannes



As for next year, Mazza believes that the best is yet to come. "I have recruited to replace the seniors. The first-year students will be back, so if we can eliminate the first-year mistakes, we'll go far."

Pioneer basketball is coming into its own at a very young age.

# KNOX ELECTED CHAIR OF WESLEYAN COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Ruth A. Knox has been elected chairman of the Wesleyan board of trustees. Knox is a 1975 graduate of Wesleyan and is a partner in the Macon & Knox law firm in Atlanta, Prior to forming that partnership in 1990, she was a partner in the firm of Kutak, Rock and Campbell. Knox is a member of the Atlanta Bar Association, the American Bar Association, and the State Bar of Georgia. She has been an active member of the Wesleyan Alumnae Association, serving as president from 1985-1988. She also chaired the recently completed Wesleyan College Alumnae Campaign that raised \$6.33 million to endow six teaching chairs for the College. She serves on the board of directors for the Atlanta Preservation Center and Jerusalem House, Inc.

Knox, who earned her J.D. at the

University of Georgia
School of Law, has
numerous connections
to Wesleyan. Her
brother, Robert Knox
Jr., is also a trustee; her
mother is a Wesleyan
graduate; and her father,
the late Robert Knox
Sr., was a trustee for
many years.

#### LANE SPEAKS AT COMMENCEMENT 1995

Wesleyan would like to extend a tremendous thank you to Linda H. Lane of Macon who has served as chair of the board of trustees for five years. Still very involved in Wesleyan functions, Lane delivered the 1995 Commencement Address on Saturday, May 6 at 10 a.m. in the Porter Auditorium.

# WESLEYAN CHORAL GROUPS PRESENT SPRING CONCERT, PLAN SPRING TOUR

The Wesleyan Concert Choir and the Wesleyannes presented a Spring Concert on Sunday, April 9, 1995, at 3 p.m. in the Porter Auditorium. Wesleyan alumnae and the general Macon community remained for a reception on the porch following the concert, in honor of Elsie Lowden Maxwell Hanbright '33.

The Wesleyannes, Wesleyan's select choral ensemble group, and the Concert Choir are planning the annual Spring Tour for 1995.

This year's itinerary for the choral groups will run May 7-12, with performances across the Southeast, including: Jacksonville, Fla.;

Tallahassee, Fla.; Gulf Port, Miss.; and Montgomery, Ala. For more information about their tour, contact the Music

Department at 912-757-5249 or 912-757-5259.

# WESLEYAN HOSTS SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITIONS FOR THE CLASS OF 1999

Wesleyan recently hosted approximately 112 high school seniors in connection with the annual Wesleyan Scholar Program. These young women, selected for scholarships based on their academic achievements, competed for additional scholarship funds. The competitive activities included problem solving, writing and creative exercises, as well as classroom discussions and personal interviews. Several young women competed for Pierce Leadership scholarships, interviewing with student leaders as well as college administration, and for Talent Awards in music, art, and theatre. The talent awards are valued at \$500 to \$4,000; the other competitive awards range from \$2,900 each year to \$11,500.

"Many students are still in the process of making their decisions regarding our scholarship offers, but we feel that response has been positive," remarks John Thompson, dean of admissions and financial planning.

# MUSIC DEPARTMENT HOSTS ALUMNA AS HEYWARD CHAIR ARTIST-INRESIDENCE

In November, Dr. Jeanell Brown '83 spent a week-long residency in the College Music Department. Brown, a piano performance major at Wesleyan, was named associate professor of music at Tennessee Temple University this fall. She holds the M.M. from the University of the Pacific and the D.M.A. from the University of Maryland. She has been awarded numerous performance scholarships in piano and has performed in master classes by Alicia de Larrocha and others. A member of the Maryland Opera Studio, she has performed as a pianist in several American opera premieres including a recent performance of "Turn of the Screw."

Brown returned in early April to give master classes in piano, coach voice students and their accompanists, and present a lecture series on women and music. Her residency was made possible by the Mildred Goodrum Heyward Chair of Music, funded by the Heyward family during the recent Tradition and Vision Alumnae Campaign.

# DIVISION OF MATH AND SCIENCE RECEIVES GRANTS

Wesleyan is completing yet another phase of its expansion and growth in the sciences as part of the College's commitment to advancing women in non-traditional fields. A recent National Science Foundation (NSF) grant has allowed the biology department to purchase "high tech" research equipment for both developmental biology and physiology. The total NSF grant is \$79,778; Wesleyan will contribute half. "The purpose of the project is to support recent curricular reform in biology by introducing undergraduate students to modern, experimental research technologies and techniques in the study of animal systems currently available to both academic and biomedical research institutions," according to Ron Toll, chair of the biology department and Munroe Professor of Life Sciences.

A grant obtained by Jim Rowan in the psychological sciences department will establish the foundation for a computer-based information network which will be used to store information about research and related activities, and will also be used to disperse such information to students, faculty, and members of other minority institutions. The award will also be used to establish a research colloquium. The colloquium will allow students to come into contact with professionals in the fields of biomedicine and behavioral science.



Nadia Hufstetler from Plainville, Ga., competing for talent award in music.



Kristin Conley uses new equipment purchased with NSF grant funds.



Jeanell W. Brown

## FACULTY DEVELOPING CURRICULUM CHANGES

Last fall saw the beginning of a series of faculty forums to discuss and address curriculum changes. Out of these discussions will come a consideration of calendar change, according to College Dean Carole Brown. Serving as a faculty affirmation of Wesleyan's mission and focus, the participants agreed that the institution is a small liberal arts college for women and should remain such.

Two questions that emerged from the discussions were, what should a small liberal arts college for women look like as we begin the next century; and how do we become those things that such a college should be? Also out of the discussions came a consensus on the importance of helping students make connections between and among disciplines and on the importance of enabling students to think critically and communicate better, particularly in writing.

The curriculum committee will move the discussion forward, and another series of forums will begin in the fall of 1995. At that time, proposals for change will come to the faculty from the curriculum committee.

Currently, the College is under advisement to integrate math and computer science.

They have been separate but will be blended into one department according to Brown.

#### WESLEYAN SUBSCRIBES TO PROFNET

In an effort to increase the public's awareness of Wesleyan outside the Southeast, the Office of Public Relations and Publications has subscribed to an e-mail service known as Profnet. Profnet, a service of the State University of New York at Stony Brook, is a

forum for matching national media requests to faculty experts in various areas. The informational needs of the reporters mirror the topics prevalent in the media: health and children's issues, technology, and politics. Approximately 20 story leads are received each day; already the College has responded to queries for information on special literary collections, campus-wide computer system information, and women's college issues.

# WESLEYAN PLANS NEW ALUMNAE DIRECTORY

Wesleyan is working with Harris
Publishing Company to produce a new
alumnae directory by the fall of 1996. The
publication will feature current contact information for each graduate of the College; its
production will require the cooperation of all
alumnae. Further information about the
purchase of directories will be made available to alumnae in the spring of 1996.

#### WESLEYAN ALUMNAE REVIVE ANNUAL TRAVEL PLANS

The Wesleyan Alumnae Association will renew the tradition of annual travel with a marvelous opportunity to visit New England in the fall. The trip is scheduled for the first week in October and will be open to alumnae, their family, and friends. Please look for upcoming details regarding this exciting venture to a lovely and historic region.

#### WESLEYAN 'HERSTORY' WEEK

Students, alumnae, faculty, and staff celebrated Wesleyan Herstory Week, Oct. 17-21. Activities were planned throughout the week to help increase student awareness of Wesleyan's past. A special convocation on

#### IN MEMORIUM

Herbert C. Herrington '45 Professor of Music Emeritus

Professor Herbert Herrington, who taught music at Wesleyan for 39 years, died in September 1994. Colleagues and students will remember Herrington for his many years of service — sharing his enthusiasm for opera, for beautiful singing, for the organ, and for music in general.

From 1948 to 1987, Herrington's classes were among the largest and most popular of all of those taught at Wesleyan. He also shared his talent with the Macon community, serving as organist/choirmaster at St. Paul's Episcopal Church for 40 years and organist at Temple Beth Israel for 30 years. Herrington was recognized with the Alumnae Association's Award for Distinguished Service to the College in 1990.

#### Gerry Boach

Gerry Bosch, Katherine L. Comer Professor of Painting and Drawing at Wesleyan from 1945 until 1957, died in July 1994 at the age of 88. Bosch, who had enjoyed a long career in art before beginning to teach, brought to Macon many famous artists that he had met through his travels.

Bosch went on to live in several other university towns and became the director of the Columbus Art Museum in 1967. He was recognized last February at ARTS DAY at the Georgia State Capitol; postcard size prints of his work using red Georgia clay were given to legislators. Two of his works are part of Wesleyan's permanent collection.

#### Gladys Pinkston

Gladys Pinkston, instructor and professor of piano at Wesleyan from 1941 to 1963, recently passed away at the age of 90. Pinkston, who taught children as head of the preparatory department at Wesleyan for many years, continued to offer private lessons until just a few years ago.

#### Maynard Samsen

Maynard Samsen died in May 1994 at the age of 79. Samsen was professor of theatre at Wesleyan from 1942 until 1957.

Samsen later became director of the well-known Rabbit Run Theatre in Madison, Wis., during its peak popularity in the late 1950s and early 60s; there he worked with Jessica Tandy and Dustin Hoffman among others. Samsen was technical director at Mt. Mary College in Milwaukee, Wis., until his retirement.

Thursday, Oct. 20 at 11:15 a.m. in the Taylor Amphitheatre featured alumna speaker Pat Hardeman, associate professor of biology, assistant dean of the college, and registrar.

The talk, "Tales from the Wesleyan Vault: A Glimpse at a Glorious Past," featured slides and artifacts from Wesleyan's early years dating back to the middle 1800s, including the first diploma ever awarded at Wesleyan. Other items on display included: the matriculation book for the first day that the institution accepted students on Jan. 7, 1839; the faculty minutes books from the Civil War period; the old dinner bell that was found in the ashes after the fire at the Conservatory; pieces of silver from the old dining hall at the Conservatory; and the matriculation book from 1917 showing handwritten entries by all three of the Soong sisters when they registered as Wesleyan students.

#### THEATRE STUDENTS EXCEL IN AUDITIONS

In November, five Wesleyan students attended the annual convention of the Georgia Theatre Conference with Julia Matthews, associate professor and director of theatre. Three students, Mitsu Clark '95, Elizabeth Leaman '96, and Suzy Tyson '97, were named state finalists in the college auditions and are eligible to compete at the Southeastern Theatre Conference auditions, one of the largest casting calls for summer and professional work in the country.

# WESLEYAN HOLDS SECOND ANNUAL WOW DAY

Members of the Wesleyan board of associates, board of trustees, and college administration proclaimed Feb. 9 "Workers of Wesleyan Day." More than \$100,000 has been received thus far as a result of this effort to make members of the community more aware of Wesleyan's contributions to Middle Georgia, and to garner support for the College. WOW Day began with a kick-off breakfast at the City Club of Macon and ended with a victory celebration.

#### MATH AND SCIENCE SPECTACLES ENTERS FIFTH YEAR

"Math and Science Spectacles," a twoweek summer residential camp for middleschool girls, is entering its fifth consecutive year at Wesleyan. The goal of the camp is to encourage girls to continue to pursue and enjoy math and science beyond their middle-school years and to open their eyes to their place in the world of math and science. The camp includes field trips to the U.S. Department of Energy's Oak Ridge National Laboratory in Oak Ridge, Tenn., the Tennessee Freshwater Aquarium in Chattanooga, and Fernbank Museum of Natural History in Atlanta.

The students are taught by Wesleyan faculty, who use an interactive approach to the study of math and science through hands-on activities. They also participate in conversations with women who have discovered exciting careers in science and math-related fields. The camp offers a full range of extracurricular activities as well. Each session is open to 34 girls. Session I will be held June 18-July 1, and Session II will be held July 9-22. For more information, contact Priscilla Danheiser, associate dean of the college: 912-757-5228.



Adilah Barnes as "Mary McLeod Bethune" in "I AM THAT I AM: Woman, Black."

# ACTRESS PERFORMS DURING BLACK HISTORY WEEK

Adilah Barnes, best known for her role as "Anne Marie" on ABC's Roseanne, presented a one-woman show honoring African-American women on Feb. 16 in connection with Wesleyan's celebration of Black History Week. Barnes' show explored the lives of Sojourner Truth, Harriet Tubman, Mary McLeod Bethune, Zora Nelale Hurston, Lorraine Hansberry, Angela Davis, and Maya Angelou. The College also sponsors Diversity Week, Women in History Week, and Wesleyan History Week each year, in addition to other awareness events.

# GREEN KNIGHTS CLAIM SPIRIT AND STUNT CUPS

STUNT Night 1995 continued the nearly 100-year-old tradition of presenting original musical productions to raise scholarship money for rising seniors. The Green Knights, this year's junior class, stole the STUNT Night spotlight winning both the STUNT and Spirit Cups as "The Boogie Woogie Bomber Girls." Eleven rising seniors were also honored as STUNT scholarship recipients, each receiving an award valued at \$650: Terri Bagwell, Kristin Conley, Jennifer Finch, Deni Gatto, Patrenice Guthrie, Lisa Hullender, Sue McKeon, Aimee Morris, Sherry Neal, Anna Wilkins, and Kathy Worley.

## NEW FACULTY

# New Faculty & Staff



Mary Peckman



Eileen Morrow



Susan Lowry



Rhonda Park

Several people have joined the Wesleyan faculty and staff during the last year, continuing to broaden and diversify the Wesleyan experience for students.

Matthew Martin is an assistant professor of English. Having earned his B.A. at Furman University, he went to Oxford University on a Rhodes scholarship, where he earned his M.A. His fields of interest are African-American literature and Southern literature.

Marco Fatuzzo is an assistant professor of physics. Fatuzzo earned a B.A. at St. Olaf College and a Ph.D. at Northwestern University. He is interested in collaborative research with students in both physics and mathematics.

• *Mary Peckham* is an assistant professor of history, having earned her B.S., M.A., and Ph.D. at the University of Wisconsin. Her special interests are British and Irish history.

Rita Boydston is an assistant professor of education. She earned her B.S., M.S., and Ed.S. at Jacksonville State University, having recently completed her Ph.D. at the University of Alabama, Birmingham.

Two new faculty members have joined the fine arts division. *Cherrie Llewellyn*, who is finishing her D.M.A. in vocal performance at Arizona State University, is an instructor of music. She earned her B.A. at Grand Canyon University and her M.M. at Arizona State University. Llewellyn has a

great deal of experience in singing, coaching, and choir directing. She is also interested in musical theatre.

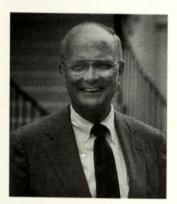
Robin Starbuck is an assistant professor of art who will teach during the fall semesters each year. She earned her B.A. at Salem College and her M.F.A. at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago. She has teaching experience at the Oregon School of Arts and Crafts, Pacific Northwest College of Art, the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, and Wabash College. She is interested in performance art and interdisciplinary work.

- Eileen Morrow is the assistant dean of student life. Morrow earned her B.A. at Kent State University and her M.Ed. at Cleveland University. Morrow previously served as assistant dean of students for black student affairs at Wooster College in Ohio.
- Susan Lowry, the new personnel manager, comes to Wesleyan from the State Council of Higher Education in Virginia where she was an accountant.

Wendy Newingham and Amy Weber are new admissions representatives. Newingham is a 1990 Wesleyan graduate and formerly worked in property management and leasing with Franklin Property in Atlanta. Weber is a 1993 Wesleyan graduate.

 Rhonda Park is the new director of student activities and residence life.
 She comes to Wesleyan from North Carolina Wesleyan College, where she was a student life associate.

# A Letter From The President



Dear Alumnae Colleagues:

The College has moved significantly in the last several years in strategic planning. Last May, the board of trustees formally adopted a five-year plan which will annually be extended one year. I am pleased to tell you that as of now we are operating essentially on schedule. Here is a brief description of what we are doing:

Planning is an integral part of any successful enterprise. Strategic planning is a focused, intentional effort to analyze where you are now, where you want to be at a given time in the future, and what must happen to get there. The board of trustees at their May 1994 meeting, adopted a detailed, comprehensive five-year plan proposed by the Wesleyan College Strategic Planning Committee. The plan was developed with input from every college constituency: students, faculty, staff, alumnae, and trustees. Representatives of these groups served on the six subcommittees which addressed each area of concern: Academic Program, Buildings and Grounds, Development, Enrollment, Finance, and Student Life. It is in the nature of the planning process that it is never complete; for continuing success one must continue to plan. Incorporated into the plan itself, therefore, is the process by which it will be evaluated and refined annually, and another year added as each year is completed, so that the plan always projects five years out.

The Strategic Planning Committee worked with an ever-present awareness that Wesleyan has two over-riding and interconnected emphases: To be an excellent college for women and to be an excellent college of liberal arts. Commitment to these two emphases is the determining factor in the design of all curricular and co-curricular programs. It determines the design of classrooms and residence facilities. It is present in the consideration and hiring of new faculty and administrators. The basic goal is to achieve a learning community which provides all of its members a rich, life-shaping experience in liberal learning and leadership skills which are undergirded by a sense of values. The relationship to the United Methodist Church is an essential part of education

within a framework of moral and ethical sensitivity. The challenge to all of us is to design the various parts of the college community so that they become a mutually supportive, coherent whole, each contributing to the ultimate goal of producing graduates who are educated, articulate, ethically sensitive women who will be life-long learners and leaders in their businesses, communities, and churches.

As the Strategic Planning Committee worked with the reports from the subcommittees, four overall goals emerged: 1) to move toward genuine excellence as a liberal arts college for women; 2) to maintain financial stability; 3) to build a student life program which, through social, athletic, and other programs effectively assists in achieving the institution's goals; and 4) to provide the administration and physical facilities to support the academic and student life progress.

A great deal of thought and discussion went into the process as the committee worked to make the goals both challenging and attainable. The five-year plan provides annual goals, or benchmarks, in each area defined by the four overall goals. Some of the goals - networking, air conditioning Persons Residence Hall — have been accomplished. Others — development workshops for faculty, involving alumnae more in recruiting, hiring faculty for collaborative research with students, handicapped accessibility — will be ongoing efforts and are already underway. Preparations are underway for still others — a full-time Chaplain, a capital campaign in the South Georgia Conference, landscaping the college grounds. The five-year plan projects the enrollment of first-year students increasing from the fall 1994 figure of 126 (6 more than the goal) to 214 in the fall of 1998. The College's endowment is projected to increase from c.\$22,000,000 to something over \$30,000,000 in fiscal year 1998-1999. Since the faculty is crucial to the attainment of academic excellence, as the endowment and enrollment increase, faculty salaries will also increase, with the goal of bringing Wesleyan into the top quartile of similar institutions. We, of course, hope that we shall significantly exceed these annual goals and find it necessary to revise the goals for subsequent years, making them more optimistic. The reality, of course, is that we shall exceed some goals in some years and perhaps fall a bit short in others. The structure of the plan provides annual benchmarks, but within the context of an ongoing five-year plan, which should encourage our efforts toward seeing Wesleyan attain the future it deserves.

I trust that this gives you a good insight into how we see the College going. Let me assure you that we would welcome comments, criticisms and applause from you alumnae who have a very vital interest in the future of Wesleyan.

Sincerely,

Gobert K. acheman

R. K. Ackerman



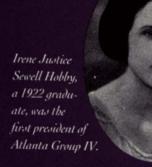
# ATT ARABANA GREAT PARSE

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By BETH KARGEL

rene Sewell Hobby '22 of Atlanta will never forget the significant events of her first semester at Wesleyan. "I heard the newsboys yelling 'Peace!' - World War I had ended. Crowds were in the streets and I felt a part of such thrilling excitement." It was the evening of November 11, 1918. Hobby also recalls the 1918 flu epidemic that turned the whole third floor of the Conservatory's Main Building into an infirmary. Mrs. Florrie White, head nurse, and Dr. Carl Anderson, college physician, were overwhelmed; Dr. Charles Jenkins, president, closed the College early for Christmas vacation.

Hobby paints a picture of the College during a time when date parlors were put to much more frequent use, when Wesleyan women attended chapel each day, and when the students' idea of a celebration was a trek to the pharmacy for a banana split. However, despite the many changes in the world and in the College since her celebration of the war's end, Hobby still feels a part of the excitement of Wesleyan. It is a sentiment shared by the many graduates of that era who have demonstrated loyalty to their alma mater through involvement in Atlanta Group IV.

Atlanta Group IV is Wesleyan's oldest continuously meeting alumnae decade group. About six years after Hobby's graduation in 1922, a group of young alumnae gathered at the home of Margaret Zattau Roan '26 for a tea in honor of Roline Trimble 24 who was marrying Jack Boyle. At that time,

there was a formal Atlanta Area Alumnae Club formed as an umbrella organization for all graduates, with individual activities for members by decades. But, there were no regular, organized meetings for this youngest group of graduates from the 20s; this party became the impetus for a fourth group. Mildred Gower Sims '27 nominated Hobby as the first chairperson, and the guests decided to begin gathering each month. The members of Atlanta Group IV have been meeting now for more than 65 years - during that time they have been an important part of each others' lives and of the life of the College.

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Group IV holds its meetings on Saturdays, a tradition that began because many members were working and not married. "We have always had worthwhile programs," notes Hobby. Programs have ranged from members discussing their various fields, experiences in travel, hobbies, and specialties, to book reviews and reminiscing about "The Good Ole Days." In 1976 they held a program about the Equal Rights Ammendment, and in 1983 they discussed "What Really Happened to Amelia Earhardt." Because Group IV has been so active over the years, many members of Group III and Group V joined their ranks. Hobby remarks that, "Though we did not know everyone in the beginning, we have grown to love each other. We are very interested in each other."

Group IV is not only very active, but has been very loyal to Wesleyan. With more than a mere interest in the happenings at the College,
Atlanta Group IV has contributed to its welfare and
growth through innumerable
fundraising efforts over the
years; sales of Wesleyan
Vanilla, notepapers, cards, etc.,
resulted in regular gifts to
scholarship

funds at the College.
The group gave strong assistance to the Atlanta

Club's large bridge tea at Rich's Magnolia Room, Davison's Wesleyan Percentage Day, the Purple Elephant Sale, Needlework Fairs, Kitchen Karavans, and fashion shows. Other important cooperative events include the Atlanta presentations of "Peter Pan" and "Alice in Wonderland" from Wesleyan's drama department directed by the able Ruth Simonton. Atlanta Group IV also helped purchase Wesleyan's first college van.

The group contributed in many other ways as well: some members sent daughters to Wesleyan; members also worked to begin a collection of costumes to donate to the College — like those that were on display in the Lane Room for many years. Recently, Atlanta Group IV presented Wesleyan with a framed diploma along with a copy of the Commencement program,

The Wesleyan College Conservatory, located in downtown Macon. The property is now the site of a federal Post Office Building.

composition book and picture of 1882 graduate
Emma Carolyn Tabor.
Ruth Holden Lundy '24 of
Group IV obtained these
treasures from a friend who is
the niece of Emma Tabor.

Because of their interest in news from the College, Group IV has joined the Atlanta Area

Alumnae Club in inviting someone from Wesleyan to present a program each year. Hobby remembers seeing the blueprints for the "new college" at Rivoli and her pride that Wesleyan was growing. One of the most outstanding events of that time was Group IV's contribution to the premiere of "Gone With the Wind." Students and alumnae served as hostesses at Atlanta's Lowe's Grand Theatre in 1939; it was the brain-child of Margaret Zattau Roan'26. "We had the most beautiful dresses and we lined the balcony of the theatre, watching the actors and actresses as they entered," remembers Hobby, who even rode in the parade as immediate past-president of the Atlanta Area Alumnae Club with President Louise Davis Davison '09. "We really attracted the attention of the city, riding behind the high seated, high

> hatted driver of the Broughamlike carriage."

The depression years affected the individual lives of these Wesleyan alumnae, yet Group IV went on. In 1945, they were part of an effort to raise the endowment to \$1 million. (Today the endowment is approximately

\$23 million). Hobby also recalls the Atlanta Area Club's active role in the struggle, years later, to save "old Wesleyan." "The original Victorian building had five stories, and the three towers made a beautiful skyline as you approached the city. The Conservatory pierced the sky and made Wesleyan the most prominent building in Macon."

For several years, alumnae worked to preserve old Wesleyan as an historic shrine to prevent the property from being used as the site of a federal Post Office building. These efforts presented a great challenge for Hobby, who was by then serving as president of the Wesleyan Alumnae Association. She also served as chair of the Weslevan College Historical Society. Years later Hobby shares that, "I feel certain that today, with a growing interest in historical preservation, that Macon would not let it go and that Governor Griffin's tentative plan for State purchase would have materialized." She treasures her garden walks built with bricks from the building, which was destroyed by a fire in 1963.

Since there was no Conservatory to come home to, the members of Group



The composition book and photo of Emma Carolyn Tabor donated to Wesleyan by the members of Atlanta Group IV. Tabor, an 1882 graduate of Wesleyan, was the first woman from her native Gilmer County, Ga., to graduate from college.



Irene Sewell Hobby '22, recipient of the Alumnae Award for Distinguished Service to Wesleyan in 1963, remains an active member of Atlanta Group IV.

IV rejoiced with all alumnae when the new library was built and the old one became the Candler Alumnae Building. Dr. Strickland, president of the College, and the trustees recognized the alumnae dream of a house on the Rivoli campus and proposed that the Candler Memorial Library become the Candler Alumnae Building in exchange for the large yet insufficient amount of alumnae money saved for an alumnae building.

When Madame Chiang Kai Shek visited Wesleyan in 1965, Hobby sat next to her at a luncheon in her honor. "I remember little of the conversation except she told us how she made tea.' She met with the Chinese dignitary again a few years later in Taiwan, where she invited Hobby to a weekly prayer meeting for world peace. Madame Chiang Kai Shek sent a message to Wesleyan: "Tell Dr. Strickland to keep Wesleyan Christian." Hobby still receives communication from her each year at Christmas.

Hobby has represented Wesleyan in many ways: as the first chair of Atlanta Group IV, as president of the Atlanta Area Alumnae Club, as secretary and president of the Wesleyan College Alumnae Association, as chair of the Wesleyan College Historical Society, and as a member of the board of trustees. She received the Alumnae

Award for Distinguished Service to Weslevan in 1963. Many other Group IV members also made their mark through their prominence in the community and in their professions. Virginia McJenkin '27 was another member of Group IV that brought recognition to Weslevan. A leader in library science, she was director of the school library services in Fulton County from 1937-1969. She taught courses and workshops across the country, served as a representative working with the federal commission on education during the terms of Presidents Eisenhower and Johnson. and received the Alumnae Award for Distinguished Achievement in 1956.

Roan, the hostess for the group's first gathering, brought distinction to Group IV as an "ultra-modern pioneer of musical therapy"; in 1955, she also received the Alumnae Award for Distinguished Achievement. Other Group IV members to receive Alumnae Awards for Distinguished Achievement include: Kathleen MacKay Powell '28, Mamie Jo Jones '26, Sarah L. Jones '23, Louise Ballard '24 and Ray Ballard '18, Mabel Campbell Gibson '25 and Marge Hamilton Richards '24 received awards for Distinguished Service.

This group that has been so dynamic has suffered many recent losses, however. Averaging 20 or more active members at any given time in its history, Group IV has a current membership of 12 to 15. Thirteen were present for this past year's Annual Christmas Luncheon and five members attended Breakfast at Tiffany's, an Atlanta Area Alumnae Club event in February. Mary Lester Brooks '29 now serves as permanent chairman of Group IV, Annie Mays Larmore '28 is program chairman, and Martha Few '25 is fellowship chairman, keeping everyone informed about the status of various members. Though the group does not meet as often when the weather is extremely cold or hot, Hobby proudly notes that, "even now we are still meeting regularly."

Hobby, who says she entered Wesleyan as a naive freshman at 15 years of age, claims that Wesleyan's influences and opportunities, academic and extra-curricular, have enabled her to meet life's challenges. She has always been proud to be a Wesleyan alumna and at the age of 92, as the oldest member of Group IV, she is grateful to be a part of its history.

Cathy Coxey Snow '71, director of alumnae affairs at Wesleyan, pays tribute to their remarkable accomplishments. "Atlanta Group IV's legacy of devotion and service to the College has provided not only inspiration but a challenge to all alumnae clubs over the years."



Front Row: L-R; Mary Lester Brooks '29, Annie Mays Larmore '28, Martha Few '25. Back Row: L-R; Mary Rudioill Trippe '33, Elizabeth Moate Baxter '31, Helen Cabill Huey '31, Mildred Johnson Gillespie '28, Monica Holt Oliver '30, Helen Flanders Moseley '33, Ruth Holden Lundy '24. Not Pictured: Irene Sewell Hobby '22, Roline Trimble Boyle '24, Arline Harris '24, Winnie Meyer Benscoter '30, Anne Page Bugg '29, Lucille Smith Burnett '27, Katherine Lowe Clarke '26.



#### **CLASS OF 1924**

Aurelia Cooper Evans of Perry, Ga., celebrated her 92nd birthday recently. The mayor of Perry presented her with an award for service to the community.

#### **CLASS OF 1925**

Cornelia Shiver of Americus, Ga., was honored with an afternoon tea at the Americus Country Club in honor of her 90th birthday on Oct. 8. More than 100 friends and relatives gathered for this special occasion.

#### **CLASS OF 1931**

Margaret Boyd Whitnel of Fulton, Ky., was featured in The Reporter, a national weekly Methodist publication. Cited for her desire to help others in need, especially in Monrovia, Liberia, she has been called "the chair of outreach at First United Methodist Church." Margaret has been busy also recruiting her neighbor's daughter for Wesleyan. She enjoyed receiving the Tradition & Vision Campaign brochure, in which she identified her late sister Carroll Boyd Wadlow '28 in the hiking picture.

#### **CLASS OF 1933**

Virginia Perry Buckner of Daytona Beach, Fla., returned last fall from a fabulous trip to the Far East. She spent 25 days touring Japan, Thailand and China. One of the highlights of the trip was a tour of the Agricultural Center in Sandai, Japan, where she saw rose bushes that were 5 ft. high!

Katherine Snooks Walker of Pensacola, Fla., enjoys her family and still works on genealogy when she finds time. She spent Christmas in Atlanta with daughter Laura and her husband Henry, her two married grandchildren and her two great granddaughters. Son David and his wife Cheryl live across the bay in Gulf Breeze with two children. Felton and his wife Pam are in California with their three children, and Carson Jr. and wife Tricia have two children and live in Jackson, Miss.

#### CLASS OF 1934

Julia Munroe Woodward of Quincy, Fla., is proud to announce that two of her grandsons have graduated from Emory University in Atlanta (one from the law school). Julia took the spotlight herself in February, appearing in her first theatre performance. She was a cast member in the Broadway musical Funny Girl at the Quincy Music Theatre.

#### CLASS OF 1935

Mary Jenkins Winders formerly of Reston, Va., reports that she has been living in London, England, since September 1994. She will be in England for three years.

#### CLASS OF 1936

Mary Ann Peacock Powell of Ocilla, Ga., was the recipient of the Varina Howell Davis Award at the Military Order of the Stars and Bars Awards Luncheon. This prestigious award has been given only 27 times in its 57 year history, and is only presented to women of Confederate ancestors who have done outstanding work in preserving Confederate history. Mary Ann was cited for her devotion to the Jefferson Davis Memorial Museum & Park in Irwin County (a project for which she fought for more than 20 years) and for her efforts to place it on the National Register of Historic Places in 1980.

#### **CLASS OF 1941**

Emily Campbell Brown of Mansfield, Ohio, accompanied her son Sherrod to a Christmas party at the White House. Sherrod is a congressman from Ohio's 13th district and was re-elected to a second term in November. Emily keeps in touch with Margaret Cobb Foley; Margaret has been very busy helping her mother Theodora Atkinson Cobb '14, who celebrated her 100th birthday on Dec. 26.

#### **CLASS OF 1943**

A group of suitemates from the Class of 1943 had so much fun at their 50th Wesleyan Reunion two years ago that they decided to make it an annual event. Mary "Bunny" Timmerman Geeslin of Harpers Ferry, W.Va., hosted the group at her home last summer. Ann Burkhalter Beilke of Palo Alto, Calif., and Julia Pate Baldau of Johnson City, Tenn., attended. (Mary Clapp Woelper of Atlanta, who had to cancel at the last minute, was really missed.) The group toured Harpers Ferry and Antietam Battleground. Sporting purple shirts, they had their picture made in front of the cherry tree given to class members at their 50th Reunion. It now stands 3 ft. tall! Next year the friends plan to meet at Yosemite National Park.

#### CLASS OF 1944

Elizabeth Rycroft Wood of Maitland, Fla., and classmate Margaret Spear Diederich, of Annandale, Va., enjoyed a visit last July in Florida. While touring the "Splendid China" attraction in that area, they rekindled their interest in Madame Chiang Kai-Shek's 1943 visit to Wesleyan and the impact of the Soong sisters in world history.

#### CLASS OF 1945

Jean Cone Snooks of Ailey, Ga., and her husband Bartow R. Snooks were named Alumni of the Year at Brewton Parker College in 1994 by the National Alumni Society. Bartow, a Wesleyan trustee, is a graduate of Brewton-Parker; Jean was cited for her volunteer efforts and dedication.

#### CLASS OF 1946

From St. Simons Island, Ga., Mary Tappan Garrison writes that she has not yet retired, and is enjoying grandchildren Tappan, 16, and Benjamin, 4 (see Sympathy).

Naomi Duncan Williamson of Jesup, Ga., and her husband Van celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on Aug. 21, 1994.

Mae Hardman of Dillard, Ga., is currently writing a history of Rabun Gap-Nacoochee School where she taught for 19 years. She also worked for 19 years as an industrial social worker for Bibb Manufacturing in Porterdale. She retired in 1990.

#### **CLASS OF 1947**

Betty Thompson of New York, N.Y., director of public relations for the United Methodist Board of Global Ministries, was the recipient of the William B. Lipphard Award for distinguished service in religious journalism. Presented by the Associated Church Press last September, only three other people have received the Lipphard Award since it was established in 1966.

Betty Whitehead Sweeney lives in Carlton, Ga., and describes herself as a "homemaker and traveler." She has two children. Daughter Sara and husband Sylvester live in Houston, Tex as, with their two children: Jeff, 18, and Christine, 16. Son James B. Sweeney III is a captain in the USMC in Quantico, Va., and has two children: Sean, 21 months, and Abbey, 3 months.

Granddaughter Christine attended Mid-Summer Macon in 1993 and 1994 and plans to return this year.

#### CLASS OF 1948

Bettijo Hogan Trawick of Macon was guest speaker for the Alpha Kappa Psi business fraternity dinner at the Radisson Hotel last October. The focus of her speech was on business etiquette.

#### **CLASS OF 1949**

Judith Meredith Gurney of Tallahassee, Fla., lives at Centerville Care Center and would love to hear from Wesleyan classmates and friends.

#### CLASS OF 1950

Betty Smith Moore writes from Fort Valley, Ga., that her son H. Chandler White III is a bank officer in supervision and regulations with the Federal Reserve Bank in Atlanta. She and her husband Cleon, who will retire in January, are enjoying their two granddaughters Mary Elizabeth, 4, and Sarah Chandler, 2.

#### CLASS OF 1951

LaVonne Collins Jolly of Signal Mountain, Tenn., writes that she is affiliated



with Fletcher Bright Co. Realtors in Signal Mountain. She is also chapter regent of the Moccasin Bird Chapter of the DAR, having served as chairman of the Chattanooga Regents Council DAR from 1992-93. When in the area, she invites all classmates to call.

Dr. Catharine E. Neylans of Laurinburg, N.C., is enjoying retirement; however, she has agreed to teach part-time in the spring.

#### CLASS OF 1952

Mary Eva Bryan DuBose of Macon is completing her reign as Senior Queen of the 1994 Cherry Blossom Festival.

#### CLASS OF 1953

Several members of the class of '53 met in Atlanta's Neiman Marcus tea room for lunch and a gab session last August. Those attending were: Alice Ann Hamilton and Anne McMaster Jackson of Decatur, Ga.; Kathy Parsons Willis of Duluth, Ga.; Shirley "Pug" Barnes Wright of Marietta, Ga.; Carolyn "Buzz" Blakely Crompton of Alpharetta, Ga.; Gary Still Suters, Helen Blackmarr Outler, and Patsy Culver Hurst of Atlanta; and Madge Hill Sidwell of Birmingham, Ala., and her daughter Jill.

Laura Aylor Martin of Estes Park, Colo., writes that she has retired from the Philadelphia School System for the third time!

#### CLASS OF 1954

Wedding bells rang in the family of Natalie Brewton Barfield of Macon this summer when her daughter Jana got married in July. The reception was held at Wesleyan in the Hinton Lounge. Sister of the bride is Dale Barfield Pinkston '89 of Warner Robins, Ga.

Jacquelyn Burton Cook of Desoto, Ga., named by Guideposts as one of today's most popular and best selling Christian authors, has completed her series of historical romances with two new books set in Macon.

#### CLASS OF 1955

Mickey Haynie Goree of Woodstock, Ga., and husband John have settled in their new home which is situated on both Lake Allatoona and the Etowah River. Mickey keeps in touch with classmates Camille Hamilton Jennings of Milford, Ohio, and Jane Fraser Bradley in Narchitoches, La.

Florida Southern College's First Lady and Wesleyan alumna Phyllis Clough Davis of Lakeland, Fla., was awarded an honorary doctorate from Florida Southern during commencement ceremonies last May (see Sympathy).

Jane Cantrell England of Waleska, Ga., has been named chairman of the social sciences division at Reinhardt College. Last summer Jane, her daughter Janette England Zimmerman '77 of Alpharetta, Ga., and Janette's three children took a two-month trailer trip across the U.S. While in California they stopped to visit Jane's Wesleyan roommate, Kathy Bennett McCarty.

#### CLASS OF 1956

In Columbia, Tenn., Lucy Neely Adams broadcasts her weekend radio program "The Story Behind the Song" which focuses on the history of hymn writers. She is also a news writer for the United Methodist Reporter, and would love to share her show's tapes and articles with interested Wesleyannes.

#### **CLASS OF 1959**

Rev. Maureene Bass of Napa, Calif., is the minister of Unity Church in Napa Valley. She also writes a column for four newspapers, and is writing a book due out in May 1995.

#### **CLASS OF 1960**

Patricia Shriver Mancuso of Littleton, Colo., retired from teaching at the local college after 25 years. She and her family enjoyed a trip to Europe recently to visit her daughter, Mary Patricia, who is a college sophomore living in Salzburg, Austria.

Virginia Sumerford York of Panama City, Fla., travels throughout the U.S. moderating national issues forums. She has lead workshops on "How to Moderate" at the University of Virginia and the University of Kentucky among others. She is a faculty member at Gulf Coast Community College and is president of College Historians in Florida. Her first grandchild was born last January.

Mary Amerson Burt of Macon, insurance and financial services professional with John Hancock Companies, was featured by the Macon Telegraph in an article that focused on estate planning for women; she conducted a workshop on estate planning that was sponsored by the Medcen Foundation.

#### **CLASS OF 1961**

A senior computer scientist with the Department of Defense, Jacquelyn Smith Lineberger lives in Bowie, Md. She has two daughters: Sandra, a graduate of the University of Virginia, who was married last October and lives in Alexandria, Va., and Anne, a Wake Forest graduate who lives in Durham, N.C., where her husband is in his last year of law school at Duke University.

Juliana "Jukie" Hardeman Caldwell of Palmetto, Fla., teaches French and ESE students at Booker High in Sarasota and was voted Teacher of the Year for 1994-95. Her daughter Ginger Caldwell '83 of Marietta, Ga., was promoted to branch manager of the Tech Parkway Branch of Wachovia Bank in Atlanta. In October, Jeanette Loflin Lang, chair of the Wesleyan College Music Department, director of the Wesleyan Center for the Arts and executive director of Midsummer Macon, was the recipient of the 1994 Community Cultural Award presented by the Macon Arts Alliance. The award recognized her exceptional initiative and leadership in contributing to the advancement of the arts in Macon/Bibb County.

#### **CLASS OF 1963**

Sandra Clarke Harris of Sebring, Fla., writes that the two years she spent at Wesleyan (1959-1961) were very special in her life. After leaving Wesleyan she married Wayne Harris, and they celebrated their 33rd anniversary last summer. They are the proud parents of three grown children and grandparents of four. Sandra was youth director at her church for 11 years and later worked with her husband in their medical equipment and supply business.

Houston, Texas, resident RoxAnna Arrington Sway was the keynote speaker at Wesleyan's sixth annual Entrepreneurship Breakfast Seminar in November. RoxAnna is the principal and creative director of R. Sway Associates, a retail marketing and design consultancy. Her career has included positions in virtually every area of marketing and design.

#### **CLASS OF 1966**

Betty Westmoreland Shuster of Stone Mountain, Ga., writes that her husband David is still an A320 Captain with Northwest Airlines. Her son Steven is a junior at Auburn and daughter Susan is a freshman at Mercer University.

#### **CLASS OF 1967**

Alexis Xides Bighley of New Brighton, Minn., CEO and financial officer of Gift Creation Concepts, moderated an open forum at Wesleyan in November, focusing on national issues and their impact on the workplace. The forum was held during the Entrepreneurship Seminar sponsored by Wesleyan's D. Abbott Turner Center for the Advancement of Women in Business.

#### **CLASS OF 1968**

Betsy Martin Bunte of Marietta, Ga. was one of 43 Americans who won a teaching fellowship to Poland and Israel to study the Holocaust. Betsy met with Holocaust scholars and survivors and visited Nazi death camps. She plans to incorporate what she learned when teaching her seventh grade English class.

Pat Hardeman of Macon, assistant dean and registrar at Wesleyan College, was the convocation speaker for Wesleyan "Herstory" Week in October. The convocation, "Tales from the Wesleyan Vault: A Glimpse at a



Glorious Past," focused on the history of the College and included slides and artifacts from the College's archives.

#### **CLASS OF 1969**

Mary Harper Barnard lives in Macon and teaches at Miller Middle School. She was featured in the Macon Telegraph's "Teacher Spotlight" as an exemplary teacher from the Bibb County Public School System.

Dotti Smith of Burlington, Ontario, is an information specialist in deafness for the Ontario Ministry of Education. She travels between the three provincial schools for deaf students, serving as a consultant to teachers and administrators, working directly with deaf and hearing professionals as an editor and writer. She writes, "I love Canada and my career because it combines writing, editing, and sign language — my three loves!"

Beth Rogero Bowen of St. Augustine, Fla., has been elected commissioner of the Anastasia Mosquito Control District for St. Johns County.

#### **CLASS OF 1970**

Atlanta resident Christine Olson Sibley welcomed patrons to the "Hispanic Fever" reception held at her Urban Nirvana Gallery in October. Hispanic Fever was connected with Georgia: State of the Arts, the statewide cultural celebration sponsored by the Georgia Council for the Arts and the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games Cultural Olympiad. Her sculptural garden ornament was featured also at the Neal Reid House, headquarters of the Federated Garden Clubs of Macon in January.

Jan Bull Simpson of Columbia, S.C., has been named administrator for the State Board of Architectural Examiners, the state agency responsible for licensing all architects who practice in the state of South Carolina. Jan says of her new responsibility, "I credit Wesleyan for preparing me for a varied career and the everchanging demands and requirements of today's business environment. I also credit Wesleyan with offering opportunities for leadership, a must for confidence-building."

Ann Scott Terry of Catawba, S.C., was featured in a local newspaper article for her work as state president of the American Association of University Women. The 150,000 member group prompted a national debate with reports of sexual harassment suffered by school-age girls. The group succeeded in changing South Carolina law last year so teenage mothers are no longer allowed to drop out of school. Ann also serves as communications specialist for the City of Rock Hill.

#### **CLASS OF 1971**

Congratulations to Gena Roberts Franklin who has been accepted as the first female

member of the Rotary Club in Macon. Gena is vice president for institutional advancement at Weslevan.

#### **CLASS OF 1972**

Karen Conner Boyette lives in Seoul, Korea, with new husband Jim who is an executive with Corning Inc. They have moved to Seoul as part of a joint venture with Samsung. She would love to hear from classmates!

#### **CLASS OF 1973**

Debra Henderson Hoobler and her husband Ray live in Atlanta where Ray is a psychologist and director of substance abuse for DeKalb County.

Linda Otto Parlin lives in Sarasota, Fla., where she and her husband Gary are co-owners of ACCENTS, a furniture manufacturing company specializing in hand-painted furniture. They have one daughter, Alyssa, age 15.

Linda Brown Walker and Debbie Jones Simpson '75 both live in Raleigh, N.C., and serve on the same middle school PTA board.

#### **CLASS OF 1975**

Congratulations to Ruth Austin Knox of Atlanta who was elected chair of Wesleyan's board of trustees (See page 4 in magazine).

Sharon Mattox Hopkins of Douglasville, Ga., enjoys her private orthodontic practice and her son Ashley. She keeps in touch with former roommate Nancy Desvernine Garmon who lives in Monroe, Ga., with husband Tom and three children: Krystall, Todd and Jessica.

Susan Jane Johnson of Tampa, Fla., writes with sad news of the loss of her former roommate and classmate, Jane Tenet Wilber (see Deceased). Jane had been an accountant with Dwight Darby and Co. and was the wife of Roy Wilber.

Beverly Jamieson Giavedoni of Wingate, N.C., is an adjunct professor of art at Wingate College.

Cynthia Wright of Atlanta was sworn in as Judge of the State Court of Fulton County on Jan. 6, 1995, in a ceremony in the House Chambers of the State Capitol. Governor Zell Miller administered the judicial oath. Among those attending were members of the State Supreme Court, the State Appellate Court, representatives of state courts, the State Attorney General and several Wesleyan classmates. In addition to her new judicial duties, Cynthia will teach at Emory University Law School in the fall.

#### **CLASS OF 1977**

Vickie Carey now lives in Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla., after accepting a transfer/promotion with Proctor & Gamble Co. last June. She currently manages the Winn Dixie Corporate headquarters account among others. Vickie and her husband Ken have two children: Billy, 8, and David, 4. Their move makes them closer geographically to Vickie's sister, Marita Carey '84 in Decatur, Ga., but farther away from sister Linda Carey Nardotti '80 of Boynton Beach, Fla.

Debra Brown Paulk of Jacksonville, Fla., and her husband David own Festivities Publications, Inc. Their company publishes four magazines, and also produces conventions and trade shows. One of the highlights of their business is travel. Debra has traveled to Japan, China, and a few places in between, giving lectures and workshops, and helping young entrepreneurs all over the world learn how to start their own business.

#### CLASS OF 1978

Mary McMillan Mancin of Bartow, Ga., is the founding president of the Bartow Community Club, a performing arts center that sponsors a year round series of cultural events. The group also has organized a community theatre. Of course these activities take a back seat when her six grandchildren visit.

Bryndis Roberts of Athens, Ga., vice president for legal affairs at the University of Georgia, was a featured speaker at the sixth annual Entrepreneurship Breakfast Seminar at Wesleyan in November. Discussing "What You Need to Know About Employment Laws," her address was part of the seminar's focus on new perspectives in the global marketplace.

#### **CLASS OF 1980**

Sara Griffin Landry of Macon was featured in the Macon Telegraph for her volunteer work in the community. She led a self-worth workshop for women in February which focused on problems facing older women. Sara was a clerical assistant for the Social Security Administration; she received a master's degree in counseling from Mercer University in 1981. Sara organized the local Foster Grandparent Program in Macon and in 1986 she was Senior Cherry Blossom Queen.

Mindy Fraiser of Durham, N.C., a
Wesleyan biology major, gave a talk on Nov.
11 at Wesleyan as part of the division of science and mathematics' seminar series. Her talk was entitled, "DNA: The molecule of the 1990's." Mindy has been at the Becton Dickinson Research Center in Research Triangle Park, N.C., since 1983, and is a member of the research team that is working on a new DNA amplification system.

Jeanne M. Luke-Crawford of New York, N.Y., is an opera singer and voice teacher. She recently appeared as "Charlotte" in the opera "Werther" in New York. She and her husband Phillip, who manages a sound studio and a recording business, will celebrate their



third anniversary in February.

Kelly Russell lives in Columbia, S.C., where she works for the U.S. Forest Service as a fisheries biologist for national forests in South Carolina.

Rev. Paula Flannery Lytle lives in Mt. Vernon, Ga., and writes of the marriage of her daughter Lori to Ralph Dixon III last July (see Sympathy).

#### **CLASS OF 1981**

Mary Langel Stults of Littleton, Colo., received an M.B.A. and M.S. in finance from the University of Colorado. She is a charter financial analyst and vice president of the Trust and Investment Group at Colorado National Bank (see Births).

LaFini Gilmer Mosby of Columbus, Ga., was named employee of the month at Columbus College. She is assistant coordinator of the testing center. Selected from more than 300 non-faculty employees, she received the award from College President Frank D. Brown in a ceremony held at the college.

Caroline Thomas of New York, N.Y., was highlighted in the January issue of Opera News. The opera singer was praised for her monologue in the opera "Ariadne auf Naxos" which she performed in Lucerne, Switzerland.

Hilda Cook Hilliard of Macon is director of social services at the Medical Center of Central Georgia.

#### **CLASS OF 1982**

Tina Martinez Barrios of Bradenton, Fla., received a Ph.D. in computing technology from Nova Southeastern University in January 1993. She is a state certified technology trainer.

Ellen Fiebel Johnson of Stone Mountain, Ga., shares the same birthday with daughter Kristen. Big brother Matthew, 4, helps mom out a lot (see Births).

Carol A. Fullerton of Largo, Fla., received an associate of science degree from Santa Fe Community College in Gainesville, Fla., in zoo animal technology. She works at a medical clinic as a radiology transcriptionist. In her free time she travels to various zoos and parks to photograph wild animals. This past year, she sold two of her photos to a T-shirt design company.

#### **CLASS OF 1983**

Laura Alexander Boone of Vidalia, Ga., is the new counselor at Susie Dasher Elementary School. Prior to counseling at another school, she was a high school science teacher. Laura is a member of the American Counseling Association among other professional organizations.

Jeanell Wise Brown of Chattanooga, Tenn., was named associate professor of music at Tennessee Temple University in the fall of 1994. She spent a week-long residency at Wesleyan last November where she lectured and performed a free two-piano recital with Dr. Richard Miller.

#### **CLASS OF 1985**

Deborah E. Puckett lives in Perry, Ga., and is the manager of Product Assurance Systems, Northrop-Grumman in Perry.

In Tulsa, Okla., Bernadette Elaine Wallace works in marketing research for the United Video Satellite Group.

#### **CLASS OF 1986**

After several years with Esprit, and then Crate & Barrel, Elizabeth Steiner Herbst of Norcross, Ga., is taking several months off to be a full-time mother to Nathan (see Births).

Holly Krueger Togneri and her husband Joe live in New York City where Holly is a clothing designer and Joe works in the film industry (see Marriages).

Cara Marotti Hewett works with her husband Steve at his dental practice in Winter Haven, Fla. (see Births).

#### **CLASS OF 1987**

Liz Gordon Jacobs of Atlanta recently received her master's degree in early childhood education from Oglethorpe University. She teaches first grade in the DeKalb County school system (see Births).

Captain Gay Garrett of Washington,
D.C., is completing her surgery residency at
Walter Reed Army Medical Center in
Washington. Gay graduated from Vanderbilt
University Medical School in 1991 on a full
military scholarship, and is now a captain in
the U.S. Army.

Robin Wood of San Francisco, Calif., has graduated from Tulane University in New Orleans with an M.B.A. She is back in her home state.

Rahat Uppal Scantlebury "loves her job" in London, England, where she works for a communications company.

Renee Neill Javid formerly of Calabasas Hills, Calif., had a beautiful baby girl, Roxanna, a little over a year ago. She has moved back to Atlanta where she is working towards a nursing degree, maintaining a 4.0 average.

Francine Schwartz Garfinkel of Apopka, Fla., and her husband Alan have their hands full with Bennett, 3. Francie is teaching preschool at the community center near their

Betty A. Greene of South Bend, Ind., works as a skills development manager for Glaval Corporation.

Lorena Bryant Mosman of Tampa, Fla., works at a local wellness center. She received her master's degree in sports medicine.

Beth Galvin of Atlanta is a reporter for

WXIA-TV, the NBC affiliate in Atlanta.

Margaret McKnight Karrh of Gainesville, Fla., has been promoted to coordinator of orientation and admissions at Santa Fe Community College in Gainesville. Her responsibilities include supervising and managing all admissions office functions and staff; she is in charge of overseeing and planning the College's new student orientation program. Margaret also served as the United Way loaned executive for their 1994 campaign. She was appointed to the college's service learning advisory board, a program similar to Wesleyan's internship program.

Dr. Stacey Collins Wolanek of Oneonta, Ala., and her husband Dr. Gary Wolanek opened their own dental practice in 1992. They have two children: Caitlin, 4, and Caleb, 2.

Laura Frain of Basking Ridge, N.J., is pursuing a Ph.D. in chemistry. She works for Ciba-Geiby Pharmaceuticals.

Wyanne Coker Thompson lives in Alpharetta, Ga., where she is the owner of Lavender Blue Designs, a mail order company that markets Victorian florals and gifts (see Births).

#### **CLASS OF 1988**

Stephanie Hooks Tinkey of Macon has been selected for the 1995 class of Leadership Georgia. She serves on the Emory University Regional Design Team for the Macon area.

Meredith Henderson Tyree of Atlanta is the director of programs and elderhostel coordinator at Simpsonwood Conference and Retreat Center.

Amanda Blakey is a practicing C.P.A. with the Grant Thornton firm in Atlanta. She was recently promoted to supervisor and has been accepted into the M.B.A. program at Georgia State University.

Lynn Abney lives in Marietta, Ga., where she is a case management supervisor and hospital liaison for the Georgia Regional/Georgia Mental Health Institute's new child and adolescent program.

#### **CLASS OF 1989**

Julie Baker Huster and her husband Steve live in Newnan, Ga., where she is a church musician and he is an information services manager for Southern Mills, Inc.

Debbie Stevenson has relocated to Atlanta where she is an associate with the law firm of Sullivan, Hall, Booth, and Smith.

Penny Whitley Windham lives in Reynolds, Ga., and recently completed her master's degree in business administration from Georgia College. She is operations manager for managed care at Houston Medical Center in Warner Robins, Ga.

Pam Hissing Jacobson lives in Coral Springs, Fla., and has a new job with Computing Solutions in Boca Raton. She is in charge of planning trade shows for computer



companies (see Sympathy).

Mary Beth Brown Swearingen of Macon has a new job as marketing specialist with Coliseum Medical Centers, a 350-bed HCA/Columbia hospital in Macon. She also serves as vice president for public relations and publications on the Wesleyan alumnae board of managers.

Lura Harrell Hammock and husband Randall have moved into the home they built in West Point, Ga.

#### **CLASS OF 1990**

Aimee Manry Bagwell of Juliette, Ga., was delighted that classmates Maria Shackelford Gause of Pickens, S.C.; Le Harper Stefano of Macon; Kathy Jackson Williford, of Wilson, N.C.; and Kym Preuss Lukosky '89 of Cape Coral, Fla., all came to pay her a visit after the birth of her daughter. The baby was named after her great-grandmother, Helen Barnes Jackson (see Births).

Wendy Newingham lives in Macon and works as an admissions representative at Wesleyan.

Renee Allen Dyken of Birmingham, Ala., has graduated from the University of Alabama Dental School.

Karene Harron Nebel of Milford, N.J., and husband Glen started their own business Peach Graphics, Inc. The company offers computer graphics, customized clip art, graphic design, cartoons, caricatures and greeting cards. Karene is also working on her portfolio for publishers, and hopes one day to illustrate children's books.

Alissa Mallard Gregory of Broken Arrow, Okla., and husband Steve both graduated from Rema Bible College this past spring.

Saralynn Collins of Macon, owner of Ingleside Village Pizza and The Magic Bean Coffee Shop, has expanded her enterprises to the Wesleyan campus. She opened The Bean Sprout (located in the former snack bar) which offers students an alternative place to eat. The restaurant serves breakfast, lunch and dinner, and features occasional poetry readings, acoustic guitarists and open mike speakers (see Births).

Nan Millwood Solomon of Macon dazzled audiences this summer with her performance as Dolly Gallagher Levi during Macon Little Theatre's production of "Hello, Dolly!"

Macon resident June Jordan O'Neal has been elected president of Advokids of The Children's Hospital at The Medical Center of Central Georgia.

Stephanie Glaser Fowler received a M.Ed. degree from Georgia College in 1993. She and husband Benjie moved to Knoxville, Tenn., last August where she teaches at the Adaptive Education Center; he is pursuing a doctorate degree in cellular, molecular, and developmental biology.

Ashley Garrett lives in Columbus, Ga.,

where she is employed as an internal training development leader with Total System Services.

#### **CLASS OF 1991**

K. Hope Hahn of Macon purchased her first home this fall. She is the marketing manager at Macon Industrial Medicine Center for Macon Northside Hospital.

Patrice Stewart of Macon has been elected to serve a two-year term as a member of the board of directors of the Y.W.C.A.

When Stacey Stanton Walker married in October there were plenty of Wesleyan classmates and friends in the bridal party. Hope Hahn, Shannon Hurley, Leslie Thomson, Lori Reese Brown '90 and Jeanie Sanders Gilmer '89 were all bridemaids (see Marriages).

Dr. Tina Edler James graduated from the Medical College of Georgia School of Medicine on Dec. 16, 1994. She is a resident in Family Medicine at the Medical Center in Birmingham, Ala. Graduating six months ahead of her class, Tina is the youngest graduate of her medical school class at age 23. She was married in January (see Marriages).

Kari Goellner Johnston is pursuing a master's degree in psychology. She is a foster care counselor for the State of Florida in Tampa (see Marriages).

#### **CLASS OF 1992**

Sennie Carter Queen and husband Tim live in Athens, Ga., where she teaches kindergarten in Oconee County and he is pursuing a degree in landscaping from the University of Georgia.

Dilhara Perera returned to Sri Lanka in December 1992. She works for a computer firm as the marketing coordinator. She recently obtained life membership in Alpha Kappa Psi, and maintains contact with the Indiana office.

Anne Cordeiro of Midway, Ga., is a reporter with the Coastal Courier, a newspaper in Liberty County.

Heather Birkhead of Decatur, Ga., received a master's degree from Georgia State University in sports administration. She is employed by DeKalb County Parks and Recreation.

Cyndey Costello lives in Macon and is a part-time instructor at Georgia State University in speech communications. She is currently defending her M.A. in Speech Communications, and has applied to doctoral programs at several universities. In February, she spoke at "Life After Wesleyan," a senior class seminar. Her topic of discussion was graduate school.

Rachel Glidden-Humphrey was married in August 1993. A third year medical student at Michigan State University, she recently passed her National Medical Boards. She and her husband live in Grand Rapids, Mich.

#### **CLASS OF 1993**

Stormy Rudolph Moore of Midwest City, Okla., and husband Charles celebrated their first anniversary on May 9, 1994. She is enrolled in an M.B.A. program at Oklahoma City University.

Naila Sattar works as a consultant to The Population Council and is currently at work on a literary review of reproductive health factors in Bangladesh. Formerly employed with UNICEF, she compiled a literary review of behavioral factors in the spread of HIV and other sexually transmitted diseases which has since become an official UNICEF document. Naila is working on her master's degree in international politics at Nehru University in New Delhi.

Michelle Minnifield of Marietta, Ga., is a technical assistant for Concert Global Communications, a telecommunications company in Atlanta. She attends Kennesaw State College at night where she is working on her master's degree in public administration.

#### **CLASS OF 1994**

Jacqui Dravis Boutwell is an editorial assistant in the Christian Education Division at Smyth & Helwys Publishing in Macon (see Marriages).

Terri Penniman is a graduate student at Troy State University in Dothan, Ala., where she is working on her M.Ed. with a concentration on psychology and counseling.

Janelle Reynolds of College Station, Texas, is attending graduate school in mathematics at Texas A&M University.

Annette Nassir is in graduate school at the University of Chicago.

Nicole Keller lives in Shreveport, La., and works with the Children's Arts Festival, which was nominated as one of the top 20 festivals in the South.

Katie Cain of Jacksonville, Ala., attends Jacksonville State University where she is pursuing a master's degree in English. She also teaches piano and plays for her church.

Melissa Eve McKenzie lives in Savannah, Ga., and works as a trade broker and vice president of marketing member development at the Trade Exchange in Savannah.

In July, Nikki Collins will attend Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Va. She currently works as the director of Christian Education at First Presbyterian Church in Columbus. Ga.

#### DECEASED

1911 Katharine Suddath Stribling 1913 Winifred Brooks

Ollie Williams Jones Anna Boone West Adelle Dennis Dickey Vail Jones Weems Lillie Belle Summers Minnix Grace Grimes Bridges Eugenia Lowe Spivey Farmer Ruby Tanner Frances Wootten 1925 Christine Folsom Mansfield Ruby W. Tanner Martha Elizabeth Clements Woodall Mildred Jackson Cole 1927 Rachel Moore Bentley Evelyn Gibson Mathews Margaret Benns Seay Moore Jewell A. Parker Frances Davant Walter 1928 Olivia McCarty Gaines Elisabeth Lipham Jones Louise Clark Risley 1929

Corene Brooks

India Clark Elizabeth Dorn Schuessler Cobbs Margaret Elizabeth Slocumb Nell Moore Young

1930

Ruth Smith Anderson Mary Baldwin

Louise Upshaw Cormack 1931

Lila Davidson Sells

Helen Yates 1932

May Ware Daley Tyson 1933

Lucile Wallace Nuckolls

Eleanor Anthony Solomon

Helen Olliff Weldon 1936

Frances Stodghill Atwater Nida McGehee Ferrell Isabella Landrum Williams

1940 Martha Ramsey Gray Jane Cook Portt

1941 Ina Dudley Humes 1942

Jan Robertson Wisdom Jones Frances Daniel Parr 1943

Virginia Swayne Key

Herbert C. Herrington Carolyne Martin Martin Montene Melson Mason Rosa Moore Macaulay Maxwell Ruth Jones Garzia 1949 Joy Frances Land Mancinik 1950 Luese Holloway Hadaway Cox Sarah E. "Betty" Jones Johnson

Mary Parks Bugg Skinker 1953 Emma Pate Urquhart

Ann Moorhead Segars

Arlene Newde Giddings

**Beverly Smith Ernest** 1960

Ruth Wilcox Romero

Maysie Cobb Atkinson 1975

Jane Cynthia Tenet Wilber

#### SYMPATHY

The Wesleyan Alumnae Association would like to extend sympathy to:

Jennie Boone Hogan '21 of Macon on the death of her sister Anna Boone West '17 of Atlanta on July 10, 1994.

Elizabeth Middlebrooks Carter '26 of Tallahassee, Fla., on the death of her husband Richard Earl Carter on Oct. 31, 1993.

Helen Clark Neal '30 of Columbus, Ga., on the death of her sister Louise Clark Risley '28 of Eugene, Ore., in October 1993.

Sara Hammock Middlebrooks '32 of Jacksonville, Fla., on the death of her husband Eugene Anderson Middlebrooks, Jr. on May 8, 1994.

Martha Benns Reeves '32 of Thomaston, Ga., on the death of her sister Margaret Benns Seay Moore '27 on May 17, 1994.

Carolyn Lawton Kilgore '33 of Houston, Texas, on the death of her husband Morris W. Kilgore on Jan. 6, 1995.

Margaret Cantrell Isaacs '33 of Columbus, Ga., and Susan Isaacs Dodson '69 of Douglasville, Ga., on the death of Margaret's husband and Susan's father McAllister Isaacs, Jr. on Jan. 8, 1995.

Lora Solomon McCord '34 of Macon on the death of her son Robert "Bobby" A. McCord III of Macon on Aug. 31, 1994.

Elizabeth Baldwin Alexander '35 of

Savannah, Ga., on the death of her sister Mary Baldwin '30 of Savannah, Ga., on June

Garrett Middlebrooks Cotton '35 of Macon on the death of her husband J.C. "Dick" Cotton on Nov. 14, 1994.

Ethelene Jackson Brown '36 of Macon on the death of her sister Mildred Jackson Cole '26 of Baconton, Ga., on Nov. 17, 1994.

Mary Tanner '37 of Lawrenceville, Ga., on the death of her sister Ruby Tanner '24 of Lawrenceville, Ga., on Sept. 10, 1994.

Annette Gardner Taylor '38 of Birmingham, Ala., on the death of her husband Joe K. Taylor on March 28, 1994, and her only grandson Joseph Barnes Taylor, age 16, on April 25, 1994.

Marjorie Potts Durden '40 of Marietta, Ga., on the death of her brother John Potts of Norfolk, Va., on Sept. 16, 1994.

Judith Van Buren Bryan '41 of Daphne, Ala., on the death of her husband Eugene Parker Bryan on May 22, 1994.

Edna Earle Todd Sterrett '42 of Dunwoody, Ga., on the death of her husband Robert W. Sterrett on Nov. 14, 1994.

Nell McGehee Mathis '44 of St. Simons Island, Ga., and Louise McGehee Frank '47 of Houston, Texas, on the death of their sister Nida McGehee Ferrell '36 of Macon on Dec.

Dorothy Anne Pim Roth '44 of Waleska, Ga., and Jean Pim Kinsman '46 of Atlanta on the death of their brother Benjamin F. Pim of Stone Mountain, Ga., on Oct. 20, 1994.

Frances Martin Burns '44 of Macon on the death of her sister Carolyne Martin Martin of Macon in December 1994.

Laurel Dean Gray Craft '46 of Decatur, Ga., on the death of her mother Inez Dean Gray of Decatur, Ga., on Nov. 15, 1994. Mrs. Gray was dormitory director at Wesleyan College from 1941-1955.

Iris Warren Giller '46 of Houston, Texas., on the death of her mother Iris Smith Warren of Sandersville, Ga., on Oct. 5, 1994.

Mary Tappan Garrison '46 of St. Simons Island, Ga., on the death of her daughter Lellie in May 1994.

Louise Pate Skene '46 and Mary Pate Hatfield '48 both of Macon on the death of their mother Louise Jones Pate of Macon on Jan. 23, 1995.

Jane Epps Henry '47 of Atlanta on the death of her mother Mrs. Branham Ervin Epps on June 14, 1994.

Kathryn Stiles Stribling '47 of Habersham, Ga., on the death of her mother-in-law Katharine Suddath Stribling '11 of



Habersham, Ga., on Aug. 27, 1994.

Bettijo Hogan Trawick '48 of Macon on the death of her mother Kathleen Milam in September 1994.

Mary McCowen Parkerson '48 of Durham, N.C., and Virginia McClellan McCowen '44 of Macon on the death of Mary's mother and Virginia's mother-in-law Doris Horne McCowen on Jan. 14, 1995.

Jeannette Willcoxon Peterson '49 of Metter, Ga., on the death of her husband Charles H. Peterson on Aug. 13, 1994.

Claudia O'Neal Alston '49 of Macon on the death of her husband Frederick Roland Alston on Oct. 3, 1994.

Selma Paterson Marlowe '52 of Trenton, Fla., on the death of her husband James M. Marlowe on Jan. 17, 1995.

Martha Jean Laslie Woodward '54 of Quincy, Fla.; Mary Laslie Grodner '55 of Baton Rouge, La.; Beula Laslie Brinson '58 of Monticello, Fla.; Eleanor Laslie Griffin '60 of Deland, Fla.; and Harriet Laslie Reynolds '62 of Augusta, Ga., on the death of their mother Annie Eugenia Berry Laslie of Attapulgus, Ga., on Aug. 2, 1994.

Susan Bunn Woodward '54 of Griffin, Ga., on the death of her father Albert F. Bunn of Griffin, Ga, in December 1994.

Bonnie Jo Gardner Barnes '54 of Charlotte, N.C., on the death of her mother Catherine Gardner in January 1995.

Neva Jane Langley Fickling '55 of Macon on the death of her sister Ouida Langley Goss of Lakeland, Fla., on Sept. 22, 1994, and mother-in-law Claudia Foster Fickling of Macon on Feb. 22, 1995.

Phyllis Clough Davis '55 of Lakeland, Fla., on the death of her mother Bessie Johnson Clough of Lakeland, Fla., on Aug. 22, 1994.

Happy Garner Kirkpatrick '56 of Gainesville, Ga., on the death of her husband Gene Kirkpatrick in May 1994.

Cynthia Clark Quillian '56 of Atlanta on the death of her aunt India Clark '29 of Atlanta on May 29, 1994.

Virginia Fickling Monfort '56 of Macon on the death of her mother Claudia Foster Fickling of Macon on Feb. 22, 1995.

Sue Nethery Cobbs '57 of Clearwater, Fla., on the death of her mother-in-law Elizabeth Schuessler Cobbs '29 of Clearwater, Fla.

Virginia Whitehead Smith '60 of Forsyth, Ga., on the death of her mother Kathleen Peed Whitehead Woods in September 1994.

Jackie Davis Richardson '60 of Macon on the death of her father-in-law Elmo Richardson in January 1995.

Nancy Bowden Wiley '61 of Dunwoody, Ga., on the death of her husband J. Edwin Wiley on Aug. 1, 1994.

Betty Westmoreland Shuster '66 of Stone Mountain, Ga., on the death of her father J.C. Westmoreland on Oct. 15, 1993, and her father-in-law Bill Shuster on March 31, 1993.

Sheila Leto Scott '61 of Northport, Fla., on the death of her mother Maud Leto on Jan. 19, 1995.

Susan Rau Middlebrooks '67 of Macon on the death of her father Louis Burghard Rau of Dublin, Ga., on Dec. 16, 1994.

Virginia Sowell Popper '67 of Macon on the death of her mother Hazel Christine Lewis Sowell of Macon on Oct. 16, 1994.

Diana Hall Richardson '69 of Marietta, Ga., on the death of her father Charles Q. Hall on July 2, 1993.

June Hall Cooper '70 of Austin, Texas, on the death of her father John W. Hall of Forsyth, Ga., in January 1995.

Caron Griffin Morgan '73 of Dunwoody, Ga., on the death of her father Ben Griffin of Hawkinsville, Ga., on Sept. 17, 1994.

Sister Mary Joseph, OP '75 (Ruth Powers) of St. Paul, Minn., on the death of her father Roy Powers of Warner Robins, Ga., on June 10, 1994.

Sally Johnson Jackson '75 of Miami Springs, Fla., and Molly Johnson Knight '80 of Jacksonville, Fla., on the death of their mother Sarah E. "Betty" Jones Johnson '50 of Jacksonville, Fla., on Feb. 4, 1995. Granddaughter Tamalyn Jackson is a member of the class of '98 at Wesleyan.

Kathy A. Bradley '78 of Register, Ga., on the death of her grandmother Vesta Anderson on Dec. 14, 1994.

Bebe Paulette Chrismon '79 of Macon on the death of her mother Bessie Anderson Paulette of Macon on Jan. 22, 1995.

Paula Flannery Lytle '80 of Mt. Vernon, Ga., on the death of her mother Frances Flannery on May 22, 1994.

Anne Fraser Woodward '81 of Tallahassee, Fla., and Margaret Brinson Kolke '86 of Monticello, Fla., on the death of their grandmother Annie Eugenia Berry Laslie of Attapulgus, Ga., on Aug. 2, 1994.

Val Marshbourne Reckhow '84 of Macon on the death of her mother Mrs. Rufus G. Marshbourne in July 1994.

Susan Foxworth Dunwody '87 of Macon on the death of her father George H. Foxworth of Macon on Sept. 13, 1994.

Pamela Hissing Jacobson '89 of Coral

Springs, Fla., on the death of her father Richard Hissing of Miami, Fla., on Sept. 15, 1994.

#### BIRTHS

The Wesleyan Alumnae Association would like to extend congratulations to:

Mary Jeffcoat '72 and William H. DuBose III, on the birth of a son William H. DuBose IV, on Sept. 23, 1994. Grandmother is Louise Wadsworth Jeffcoat '39.

Dolores Cook Oliver '78 and Daniel on the birth of a son Jarod Robert Oliver on Dec. 11, 1993.

Mary Langel Stults '81 and Greg on the birth of a son William Davis Stults on July 7, 1994.

Ellen Fiebel Johnson '82 and Ken on the birth of a daughter Kristen Leigh Johnson on May 11, 1994.

Margaret Brinson Kolke '86 and Scott on the birth of a son William Brinson Kolke on Aug. 11, 1994. Grandmother is Beulah Laslie Brinson '58.

Elizabeth Steiner Herbst '86 and Eric on the birth of a son Nathan Herbst in the fall of 1993.

Cara Marotti Hewett '86 and Steve on the birth of a son Maxwell Hewett in June 1994.

Elizabeth Gordon Jacobs '87 and Bert on the birth of a son Joseph Jacobs in January 1994.

Wyanne Coker Thompson '87 and Daniel on the birth of a son Luke Richard Thompson on May 1, 1994.

Lisa Perry Rosemond '87 and Chuck on the birth of a daughter Emma Catherine Rosemond on April 1, 1994.

Linda Sanders O'Brien '89 and George on the birth of a daughter Morgan Downing O'Brien in October 1994.

Aimee Manry Bagwell '90 and Dean on the birth of a daughter Blaire Barnes Bagwell

#### JOIN THE CHALLENGE!

Members of the Class of '63 and the Class of '64 are in competition to raise gifts for Weslevan's Loyalty Fund.

The competition ends June 30, 1995

Will it be the GH's or the GK's? Send your gift in today!



on Feb. 25, 1994.

Saralynn Collins '90 and Scott Floyd on the birth of a daughter Dylan Collins Floyd on Dec. 23, 1994.

Michelle Rahn Evans '92 and Matt on the birth of a daughter Madison Elaine Evans on Oct. 11, 1994.

Stephanie Welborn Wallace '92 and Timothy on the birth of a daughter Jessie Megan Wallace in September 1994.

Ginger Holmes '93 and Lance George on the birth of a daughter Madison Elizabeth Holmes George on June 30, 1994.

Nyssa Horton Hattaway '93 and Roy on the birth of a son Seth Gavin Hattaway on July 16, 1994.

Aurelia Cooper Evans '24 and Martha Evans Green '61 on the birth of Aurelia's great grandson and Martha's grandson Evan Lee Green on Oct. 5, 1994.

Rebekah Yates Anders '46 on the birth of her grandson Lloyd Davidson Anders in July 1994.

Betty Turner Corn '47 on the birth of her grandson Philip Forbes Foster on Aug. 6,

Louise Cochran Mayfield '50 on the birth of her granddaughter Linnea Elisabeth Mayfield on Sept. 26, 1994. Louise's daughter, Tinna Kirss, taught at Wesleyan from '91-'93 in the Humanities Department.

Carolyn King Standerwick '52 on the birth of her grandson Connor Robert Long on July 18, 1994. Sandra Smisson Tolleson '80 on the birth of her granddaughter Josephine "Josie" McKibben Bayless on May 17, 1994.

#### MARRIAGES

The Wesleyan College Alumnae Association would like to extend congratulations to:

Venice Fisher '65 and R. George Rollins of Augusta, Ga.

Lila Teasley '68 and Don Porterfield of Clarkesville, Ga., on their marriage on Sept. 16, 1994.

Debra Henderson '73 and Raymond "Ray" Hoobler of Atlanta.

Katherine Harvin '78 and Rusty Gibbs on their marriage on Aug. 2, 1993.

Sylvia Shirah Haynie '80 and David H. Reynolds of Macon on their marriage on July 31, 1994.

Cathy Crosby '81 and Phil Davison on their marriage on Aug. 27, 1994. They are living in West Africa.

Patricia Stanukinos '82 and David McCullough on their marriage in December of 1993. Several Wesleyan classmates were in the wedding.

Holly Krueger '86 and Joe Togneri of New York, N.Y., on their marriage in June 1994.

Kristine Kuchinski '87 and Dr. Ted A. Broome of Gainesville, Fla., on their marriage on June 11, 1994. Beth Herndon '88 and Mark Holt on their marriage on Sept. 3, 1994. Many Wesleyans attended and participated in the wedding party.

Pamela Avant '90 and Mark Purvis of Macon on their marriage on May 14, 1994.

D'Andrea Price '90 and Stanley Dallas of Decatur, Ga., on their marriage on Sept. 3, 1994

Tina Edler '91 and Kevin Michael James of Birmingham, Ala., on their marriage on Jan. 7, 1995.

Kari Goellner '91 and Kenneth Johnston of Tampa, Fla., on their marriage on Nov. 5, 1994

Stacy Stanton '91 and David Franklin Walker of Rock Hill, S.C., on Oct. 29, 1994.

Jacquelin Dravis '94 and Robert Boutwell of Macon on their marriage on Aug. 27, 1994.

Jennifer Wylie '94 and David Horne of Smith, Ala., on their marriage on July 19, 1994.

Stephanie Strickland '94 and Chip Grantham of Tifton, Ga., on their marriage on Sept. 17, 1994.

Mackenzie Jennings '94 and Rick Williams in June 1994. They were married in Florida.

Dear Alumna.

One hundred fifty-nine years ago, the citizens of Georgia had the foresight to found a college for women in Macon, Georgia. Wesleyan College, however, bears distinction not only as the first college in the world chartered to grant degrees to women, but as a progressive institution that continues to serve the unique educational needs of today's young women. Wesleyan is fortunate to have an excellent administration, a distinguished faculty, and a bright, inquisitive and creative student body. With these attributes the College is poised to remain progressive, furthering the rights and education of women.

As alumnae, it is important that we take advantage of every opportunity to spread the good news about Wesleyan. The Alumnae Board of Managers has a particular interest in the recruitment of new students and increased publicity for Wesleyan, but there are many additional ways to further the College's efforts. Maintaining contact with Wesleyan and enthusiasm for the College can be very rewarding. Become an ambassador for Wesleyan. You have a story to tell.

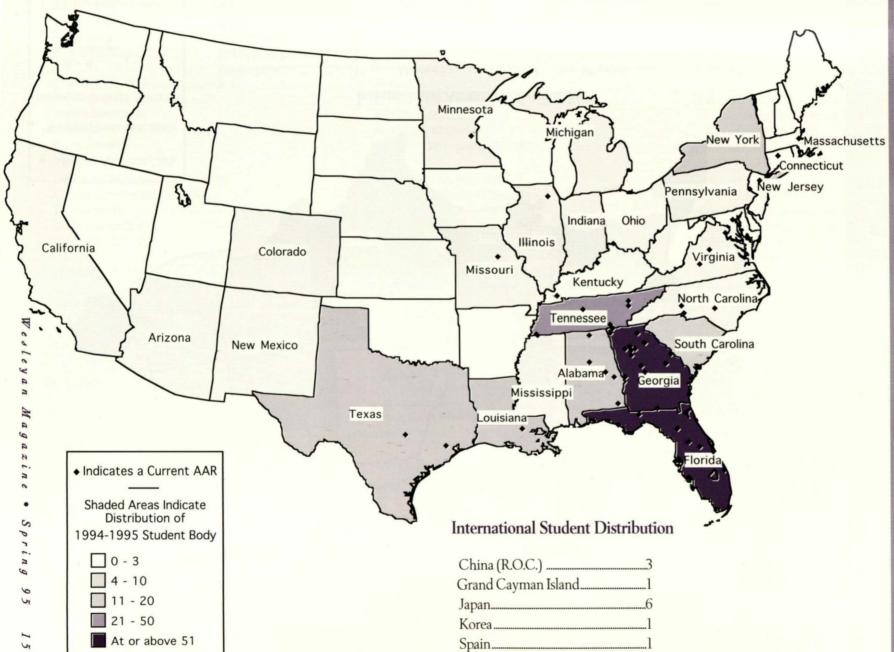
Sincerely,

Slovin B. Price

Gloria Boyette Price '60 President, Wesleyan Alumnae Association



# A LOOK AT WESLEYAN COLLEGE STUDENTS



#### WHAT IS AN AAR?

AAR stands for Alumnae Admissions Representative.

#### WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF AN AAR?

The AAR Program works with the Wesleyan Office of Admissions to establish a network of alumnae who will serve as representatives for Wesleyan in their communities. AARs offer personal contact to prospective students.

#### WHAT DOES AN AAR DO?

During a few key times of the year, AARs phone or write to prospective students in their areas or to students that share their particular interests. Occasionally, AARs represent Wesleyan at college or career fairs. AARs should always be aware of prospective students and should send Wesleyan their names, addresses and graduation years.

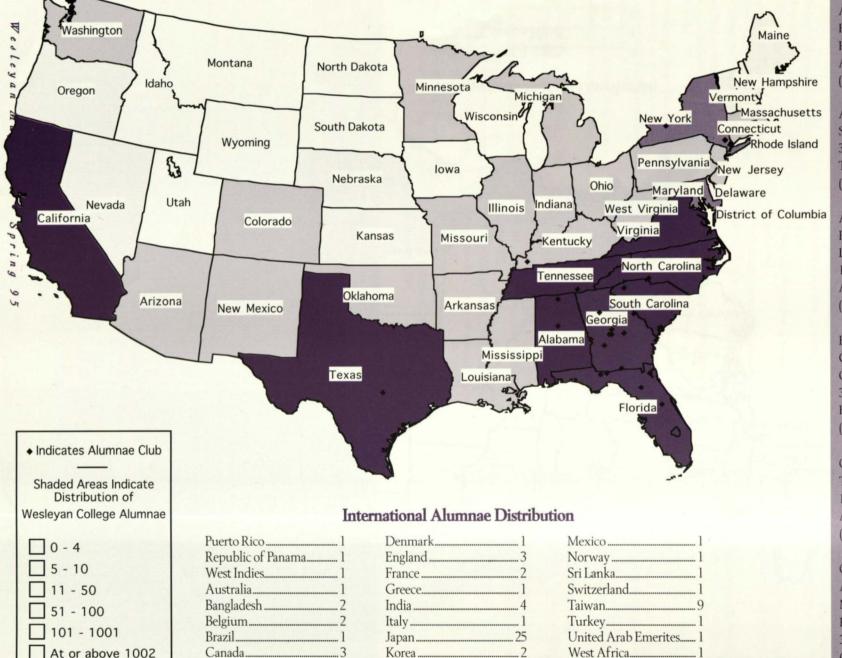
#### WHAT DOES AN AAR NEED TO KNOW?

Interested alumnae keep in contact with an area admissions representative. This, along with a few training materials, insures that they are up-to-date.

#### HOW CAN I LEARN MORE?

Call the Office of Admissions at 1-800-447-6610.

# A LOOK AT WESLEYAN COLLEGE ALUMNAE



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# WESLEYAN COLLEGE ALUMNAE CLUBS/GROUPS 1994-1995

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Augusta Wesleyan Alumnae Group Harriet Laslie Reynolds '62, Group Leader 1 Highgate South Augusta, Ga. 30909 (h) 706-733-2446

Birmingham, Ala, Wesleyan Alumnae Group Contact: Jo Ann Miller Gaede '61 3245 Rockledge Road Birmingham, Ala. 35213 (h) 205-879-1431

Central Texas Wesleyan Alumnae Club Trudy Clark Landis '81, Group Leader 11703 Santa Cruz Drive Austin, Texas 78759-4221 (h) 512-346-5124

Charlotte-Metrolina Wesleyan Alumnae Club Mildred "Tuck" Hawkins Jones '49, President 3912 Beresford Road Charlotte, N.C. 28211-3716 (h) 704-366-7328

#### Alumnae Clubs/Groups Continued...

Chattanooga, Tenn., Wesleyan Alumnae Club Contact: Mary Stewart Becking Smith '42 328 James Blvd. Signal Mountain, Tenn. 37377-2273 (h) 615-886-2222

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Gainesville, Fla, Wesleyan Alumnae Group Contact: Margaret McKnight Karrh '87 10505 Southwest 55th Place Gainesville, Fla. 32608-4361 (h) 904-336-8375 (w) 904-395-5448

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Huntsville, Ala, Wesleyan Alumnae Group Dana L. Grinstead '86, Group Leader 1855 Shellbrook Drive Huntsville, Ala. 35806-3417 (h) 205-722-9972 (w) 205-830-9133

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Macon Wesleyan Alumnae Club Louise Futrelle Dodd '49, President 776 Middlesex Drive Macon, Ga. 31210 (h) 912-474-8294

Orlando, Fla., Wesleyan Alumnae Group Martha Groover Staples '49, Group Leader 1570 Waterwitch Drive Orlando, Fla. 32806-7813 (h) 407-851-9489

Peach Area Wesleyan Alumnae Club Kathy Parham Young '86, Group Leader 116 Cochran Court Byron, Ga. 31008-9253 (h) 912-956-4936

Quincy, Fla., Wesleyan Alumnae Group Contact: Judy Woodward Gregory '63 RR 2 Box 156A Quincy, Fla. 32351-9624 (h) 904-627-9092 (w) 904-627-9661

Savannah Wesleyan Alumnae Club Carol Brooks Dickey '77, President 4 Springfield Place Savannah, Ga. 31411 (h) 912-598-7954 St. Simons Island, Ga., Wesleyan Alumnae Group Contact: Maria Powell Chapman '83 25 Boundry Lane St. Simons Island, Ga. 31522 (h) 912-638-3586

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(h) 203-966-0361
Contact: Lou Beller '64
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Staten Island, N.Y. 10301-4400
(h) 718-981-8338 (w) 212-392-4129

Upstate New York Wesleyan Alumnae Group Contact: Julia Stillwell Ketchum '58 1420 Salt Springs Road Syracuse, N.Y. 13214 (h) 315-449-9627

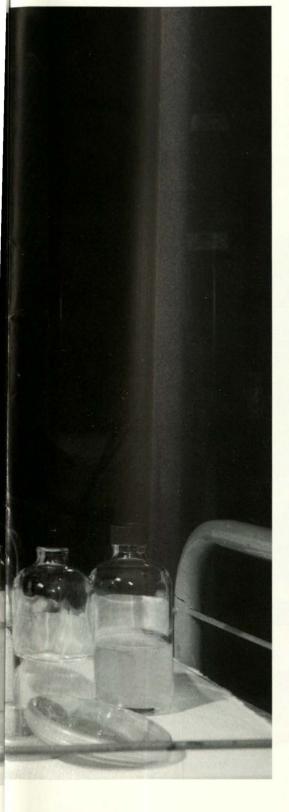
Valdosta, Ga., Wesleyan Alumnae Group Contact: Gloria Boyette Price '60 1110 N. Patterson Street Valdosta, Ga. 31601-3921 (h) 912-247-2534

For more information about an alumnae club in your area or forming a new group, contact Cathy Snow, director of alumnae affairs at 912-757-5172.

# OAK RIDGE NATIONAL LAB



## By Paige Getty



Wesleyan education offers students exposure to the full range of human knowledge, assists them in developing skills in critical thinking and analysis, encourages them to question and explore the issues that affect their lives and futures, and challenges them to discover who they are in the light of the rapidly changing world around them."

- Wesleyan College Catalog

One opportunity that provides numerous avenues for Wesleyan students to explore their own abilities, interests and dreams is the college's internship program with Oak Ridge National Laboratories. By focusing her time and energy solely on her work in this national laboratory, the student gains knowledge and experience unequaled by any classroom or college laboratory work. A student returns to Wesleyan from Oak Ridge feeling more grounded, more focused, and further along on the road to discovering where she fits in the world around her. Wesleyan senior Susan Wheelis rates the experience very highly, saying, "If a student has any interest in research, this is the way to decide if it's really what she wants to do. It is a national laboratory with the most current, hi-tech equipment, right at your fingertips!"

Wheelis is one of four Wesleyan seniors who have worked as interns at Oak Ridge National Laboratories (ORNL) in Oak Ridge, Tenn., during the past year. Also participating in the program were Stephanie Russ, Jenny Vasile, and Jennifer Wynn. Upon their return to Wesleyan, these students have an unmistakable sense of self-assurance, a drive for success, and a confirmed commitment to the sciences.

All of the participants agree that research cannot truly be understood without experiencing the day-to-day job of reporting to a laboratory and focusing all efforts on a very directed project. Though many opportunities are available for Wesleyan students to gain research experience, Ron Toll, chair of the biology department at Wesleyan, says that the internship

"If a student bas any interest in research, this is the way to decide if it's really what she wants to do. It is a national laboratory with the most current, bi-tech equipment, right at your fingertips!" program at Oak Ridge is established with a history of success for both Wesleyan and ORNL. Still, students do participate as interns in many scientific arenas in Macon, especially with Mercer University and its medical school. According to Toll, "The diversity of things people do here in Macon is amazing. The many specialties create opportunities [for Wesleyan students]. Of the spectrum of internships that we offer, [the Oak Ridge internship] is just a part."

The interns were responsible for every aspect of their research projects developing a research plan from a given topic, gathering the needed supplies, performing the actual research, and working through the statistical details to organize results. As biology majors, they all felt that they may have wanted to pursue research careers. However, after the internship in

Tennessee, each student has focused more clearly on her career goals.

Wheelis has found fulfillment in the research itself. In working from the beginning to the end of her project in the laboratory, and then beyond the lab to sharing her research with fellow scientists, Wheelis is rewarded by the entirety of the process. This sense of reward is evident in the extent to which Wheelis will be taking her project - beyond Wesleyan and Oak Ridge, to presentation at a national biology conference.

Each of Wesleyan's students was placed in the environmental sciences division for her internship. The institute has many different divisions, from physics to computer science to environmental science. As applicants to the program, the students were able to request their preferred division(s), and all of them listed environmental sci-



Susan Wheelis using techniques to identify isolated glycol degraders.

ences as one of their choices.

However, once accepted into the division, the student's specific research project was assigned to her. She had an advisor and was a member of a research "team," but was completely responsible for her own research from beginning to end.

Wheelis feels she was ready for the challenge, saying that, "Wesleyan definitely prepared me, not only with a firm foundation in the sciences, but also with the analytical and critical thinking abilities I developed in my coursework." She has found that, like the liberal arts education, a research career has many more components than the obvious laboratory work. Her research was not meaningful unless she was able to present it well, both in written form and in oral presentation.

She discovered that her humanities courses proved just as vital to her success as did her many biology labs. In addition, Wheelis says she surprised many of her colleagues with her natural

leadership traits and her assertiveness in the lab. She recognized when something needed to be done, and she did it.

Wheelis is no stranger to facing challenges and asserting herself in

the college community. She serves as president of the Student Government Association, vice president of Beta Beta Beta (a national honor society for biologists), is a member of Mortar Board (senior honor society), and for three years has been a Wesleyan Student Ambassador and Peer Counselor. She has also found time to commit to STUNT every year!

Because of her outstanding work in her first semester at Oak Ridge, Wheelis was asked to remain in the program for four additional months during the summer, where she was able to continue more intensively with her glycol degradation research. According to Wheelis' advisor, Janet



Susan Wheelis, Stephanie Russ, and Betty Lo at the Tennessee Fresh water Aquarium in Chattanooga, Tenn.

M. Strong-Gunderson, Ph.D., a staff scientist in the microbial interactions group, they now "have a consortia of mircoorganisms that are capable of degrading high concentrations of glycol-based waste. The US Air Force has expressed their interest in the deic-

interested in the medical field, her Oak Ridge internship was an integral factor in shifting her focus from becoming a doctor to conducting medical research.

The other students, too, have confirmed their post-Wesleyan plans. Vasile and Wynn have both applied

to graduate school in the sciences, where they will pursue their specific interests. Wynn said she realized that though she enjoyed the laboratory work in small doses, "I'm more interested in people than in research - perhaps I'll do

government work, such as enforcing or regulating environmental law."
Russ will be attending Mercer
Medical School, working toward a career as a family practitioner. "Oak
Ridge helped to broaden my career
goals," says Russ. "I've always
planned to go to medical school, but
now I also want to be involved in
research as a practicing physician."

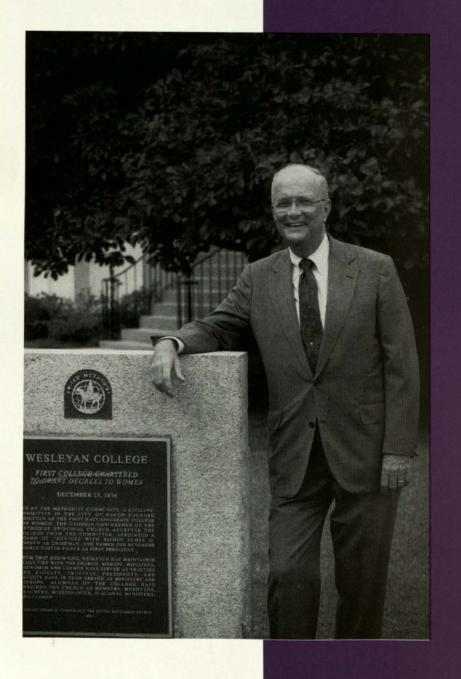
When asked if other students should pursue this opportunity, the interns reply with a resounding, "Yes!" Vasile says, "I would strongly recommend the program to others, primarily for the personal enhancement, but also for the academics. I've learned how to apply what I learn."

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ing fluid results..." Wheelis coauthored a paper which has been
accepted at a Bioremediation
Conference in April 1995
("Degradation of High Concentrations
of Glycol's, Antifreeze and Deicing
Fluids", J. M. Strong-Gunderson, S.
Wheelis, M. D. Waltz and A. V.
Palumbo), and she will present the
results of her research at the American
Society of Microbiology Annual
Conference in May 1995.

After graduating from Wesleyan in May, Wheelis plans to devote a year to full-time research, either at Oak Ridge or at a medical school research facility, before entering graduate or medical school. Though she has always been

# WE SIEYAN President Puts History Aside, For Awhile Anyway



Wesleyan President

Robert K.

Ackerman is a

former archivist

who plans to someday

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hat's the use of a liberal arts degree in this highly technological day and age, you might ask.

"Intellectual versatility," responds Dr. Robert K. Ackerman, who last year marked his 10th year as president of Wesleyan College in Macon, Ga., the nation's first college chartered exclusively for women in 1836.

Ackerman cites research that indicates individuals can expect to change jobs from five to seven times during their lifetimes, offering his own career as perhaps one of the best examples of the value of a liberal arts education. "I never

intended to have a career in academics," he declared.

"I wanted to be a historian's historian,"
Ackerman said, noting that after he completed his Ph.D. course work in history from USC in 1965 (he received his bachelor's degree from the University in 1956 and a master's in 1961), he became an archivist at the state Department of Archives and History.

There he produced a dissertation published by the USC Press on the Colonial period of the state's land grant records and anticipated a life-long career working as an archivist.

Then a member of the Archives Commission, Dr. J.M. Lesesne, president of Erskine College in Due West, S.C., asked Ackerman if he would come to the college to teach. Ackerman thought he would try it for a few years and then return to the archives department. "I found that I liked teaching so much I never went back."

Even though he initially turned

down an offer for a deanship at Erskine because he didn't think he would enjoy college administrative work, Ackerman later accepted its vice presidency for academic and student affairs. He went on to Drew University in Madison, N.J., where he served as the dean of the College of Liberal Arts and professor of history for nine years before becoming the 22nd president of Wesleyan in 1984.

At Wesleyan he sought to develop the college's focus on the liberal arts in the classical tradition of the old South Carolina College, the predecessor of today's modern University. Ackerman is proud of

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his tenure at the 450-student college that has seen an increased emphasis on the general education program, interdisciplinary studies, and women's studies. Upper class students are also being encouraged to become involved in science research projects with their professors.

A series of grants from the National Endowment for the Humanities has been used to train the faculty in interdisciplinary studies with the intent of having them read the same books and discuss the same issues. "The idea is that if you can get the faculty immersed in interdisciplinary studies they will in turn do the same for the students,"

Ackerman said.

Ackerman believes that his real appreciation for the liberal arts began at USC, where he was influenced by the late English professor Milledge Seigler and George Rogers Jr., the emeritus professor of history with whom he studied in graduate school. Rogers was taught by Ackerman's uncle, J.H. Esterby, at the College of Charleston. Esterby later became director of the Department of Archives and History.

"My fascination with South Carolina College grows out of my being a historian, but it also stems from my very good education at

the University as an undergraduate, and I look back on that experience with real appreciation," said Ackerman, who grew up in Williston, S.C., and attended USC on a Naval ROTC scholarship before serving in the U.S. Marine Corps.

Because he continues to consider himself a historian at heart, Ackerman eventually plans to retire in Columbia. "I want to

pick up on that earlier interest in South Carolina history," he said, noting that the Palmetto State is known for its "very complete" set of land records beginning in 1670.

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# PAT HARDEMAN A Profile By Linda Burnette



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had a goal of traveling to every continent by the time I was 40," says Wesleyan alumna, professor of biology and registrar Pat Hardeman.

Her desire to travel began at an early age. She grew up with relatives who were interested in the natural sciences. "I was raised with the National Geographic," she says laughingly. "I remember when it came to our house. I would always get it first and read about all of the exotic places. I knew one day I'd get there."

Prior to her current position at Wesleyan, Hardeman was a biology professor at the College for 11 years; she joined the faculty in August 1974 after graduating from Georgia College with a Master of Science degree in biology. It was during her years as a professor that many of her travels occurred. Hardeman felt it was important to have her students learn by experience. "I wanted them to learn in the field, not just read about it." One of her first projects as a new faculty

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member was to put together a proposal for a "field" trip for students. She and a group of 14 people spent 10 days in January 1975 studying in South America and on islands in the Pacific. "I can see every footstep to this day. Many of my students said it was the highlight of their college career."

The next year was the U.S. bicentennial, and she wanted to take students on a trip commemorating that. "I decided to study the biomes of

North America and the United States. We rode across the Southern U.S. and into Mexico on a 3 1/2 week trip teaching in the field everywhere. We went through the chaparral of Southern California, the tundra of the Rockies, and the grasslands of the Midwest."

The next year Hardeman and students went to South America and studied the Rain Forests. The following year, they went to Africa. "I had become extremely interested in the dominance hierarchy behaviors in Rhesus monkeys." She and a professor from Eastern Michigan University team taught students from the two schools. "We met in Nairobi. We had about 22 students from the two schools. We were there for 3 1/2 weeks." This trip included camping on the beach of the Indian Ocean and visits to the Samburu Game Preserves and the Saranghetti Plains. It was following this adventure that the Wesleyan student trips came to an end. "The college schedule changed,



Hardeman with tranquilized baboon in Ethiopia is a strange sight to wandering Somali tribesmen.

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and it was no longer feasible to take the trips. In addition, travel costs were soaring."

However, Hardeman continued her travels. "In 1983, I had an opportunity to go to the University of Puerto Rico, where I met Dr. Eugenie Clark, a world authority on sharks and shark behavior." Hardeman took a short course under Clark's direction and became interested in marine life. Within a few months of this trip, Hardeman had an opportunity to apply to Project Ocean Search to work with the Cousteau team in the Carribean. "I applied and was accepted. The project was on Moskito Island. It lasted a month. I participated in a long-term study of the reef there." Though she was not a certified diver at that time, it wasn't long after the conclusion of that trip that she went to Florida and was cer"In 1983, I had an opportunity to go to the University of Puerto Rico, where I met Dr. Eugenie Clark, a world authority on sharks and shark behavior."

tified as an International Open Water Diver. "My first ocean dive was to a depth of 100 feet." She has since dived the Cayman Islands Northwest Point Drop-off. "That was to be my next trip with students, to certify them in diving and take them to the reef, but I had to leave Wesleyan to attend to family business upon the death of my father."

Prior to leaving Wesleyan in 1985, Hardeman participated in a research project through Earth Watch. She worked with Dr. Clifford Jolly of New York University and Jane Phillips-Conroy from the Washington University Medical School. "They were conducting a longitudinal study of the nature of speciation among Arubis and Hamadryas baboons along the Awash River in North Central Ethiopia." Hardeman and other scientists participating in the



Wesleyan was well -known to Dr. Jinrong Shao, State Education Office, Beijing.

project gathered genetic information from hybrid baboons in an effort to understand their behaviors in the field. "We were documenting their behaviors and the way they dealt with their offspring and mates in the dominance hierarchy."

After taking a three-year leave from 1985 to 1988, Hardeman returned to accept the position of assistant dean and registrar at Wesleyan. Her most recent travels have taken her to China in 1993. "I had an opportunity to travel to mainland China with representatives of the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers to visit their university and study their educational system. I went as a representative from Wesleyan." Hardeman confesses that she had a two-fold personal agenda, as well. "I wanted to see if it was possible to set up an exchange between Wesleyan and the colleges in China. I also wanted to get a sense of how well-known we were in China."



Hardeman discovered that Wesleyan is quite well-known in China. "When I told people at the university that I represented the alma mater of Madame Sun Yat Sin, I was treated as a dignitary! It afforded me the opportunity to talk with some of the higher ranking government officials within the state educational system in Beijing." Hardeman admits that she was disappointed to learn, however, that most courses in mainland China are taught in Chinese, therefore postponing her college exchange ideas.

What next for Hardeman? "I got to all of the continents except one. I want to see Australia soon. I want to get to the Great Barrier Reef, Alice Springs and Tazmania. Time beat me before, but I'm still alive and well and hoping not to leave any business unfinished."



L to R: Jean-Michel Cousteau, Pat Hardeman, Dr. Richard Murphy, director of science and education for the Cousteau Society.



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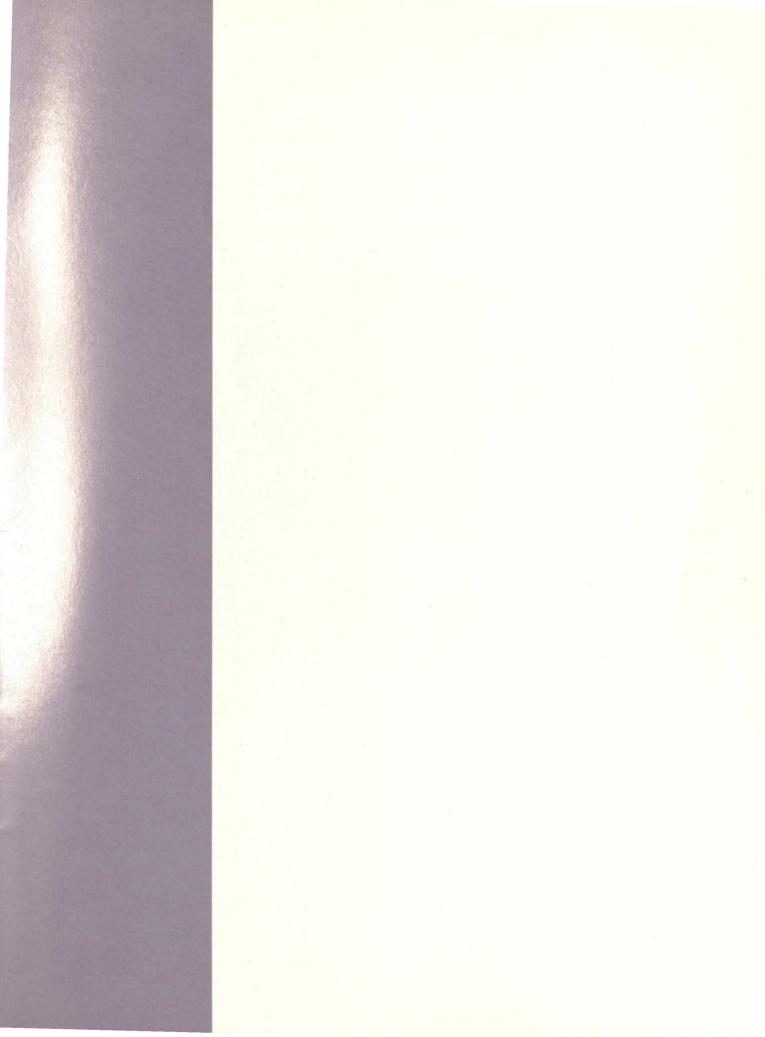
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